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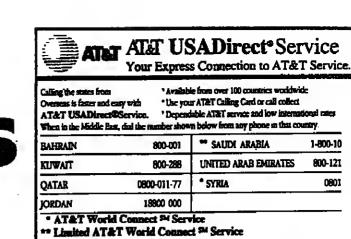
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Israel, Palestinians in marathon talks Jerusalemites can stand for elections; Arafat, Mubarak, Peres meet Wednesday

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Prime Minister Yitzbak Rabin Monday revealed details of the agreement Israel and PLO negotiators are trying to wrap up by July 25 to extend self-rule over the West Bank.

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Israel would give in to one of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's main demands by allowing Arabs living in annexed East Jerusalem to run as candidates and not just vote in autonomy elections, Mr. Rabin said.

Candidates would have "double citizensbip," be said, presumably meaning he would consider them Palestinian even though they live under Israeli sovereignty.

"On Jerusalem, there is just one problem," he told parliament's foreign affairs and defence committee, where to put ballot boxes." Israel wants the 160,000

Arabs from Jerusalem to vote outside the city limits. Meanwbile, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and the PLO chairman, who bave both predicted that an agreement will be signed in Washington early next

month, are to meet with

Egyptiao President Hosni Mubarak in Alexandria on A foreign ministry spokes-man said the state of negotia-

tions to spread self-rule were likely to top the agenda in the Egyptian port city.

BAGHDAD (Agencies) —

Iraq's ruling Baath Party has

decided to remove Defence

Minister Ali Hassan Al Ma-

jeed from bis post, the Iraqi

News Agency (INA) re-

ported Monday.
"The leadership has decided to relieve Mr. Ali Has-

san Al Majeed of his respon-

sibilities as defence minis-

It said the decision was

taken during a party meeting

on Sunday, chaired by Presi-

dem Saddam Hussein. INA

said the meeting, attended by

the ruling Baath Party lead-

ers, was beld "to redistribute

responsibilities" in the light

of the results of a party con-

dam Hussein warned the Un-

ited Nations on Monday that

Iraq could not continue com-

plying with demands to dis-

close its arms programme

without a lifting of crippling

In an address, making the

Meanwhile, President Sad-

ference held last week.

ter," INA said.

Negotiators concentrated Monday on drawing up points of accord at their secluded botel in Ziebron Yaakov, near Haifa, state radio reported

A news blackout bas been declared until the deal is done to draft an agreement to redeploy troops outside Palestinian population areas, devolve civilian powers and hold autonomy elections.

A senior Israeli official, who refused to be named, said: "The aim of the negotiations is to draft the agreement and that involves legal technicalities."

The Israeli delegation includes some 30 legal experts and about 20 are in the PLO team, be said.

The official explained that major obstacles such as water-sbaring, land and security would be left to Mr. Rabin and Mr. Arafat. Mr. Rabin told the com-

mittee that in a first stage of redeployment Israel would give the Palestinians total civilian and security control over Jenin, Nablus, Kalkiliyah and Tulkarem. When by-pass roads are

completed around Ramallah and Bethlehem security powers would also be ceded to the Palestinians there too, he

Iraqi defence minister sacked; Baghdad

threatens to halt cooperation with U.N.

He boped the I5 main roads, costing \$50 million, would be completed by De-

brought the Baath Party to

power 27 years ago, President Hussein said Iraq had

honoured its obligations and

demanded the U.N. do some-

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plying with (U.N.) resolu-

tions and meeting demands

of the (U.N.) Special Commission (UNSCOM) if that is

not linked to the lifting of

sanctions," the president

UNSCOM is charged by the U.N. Security Council

with ensuring Iraq complies with the 199I Gulf war cease-

fire resolution by dismantling

its weapons of mass destruc-

tion and destroying or

rendering barmless the

means to produce them.
"The concerned Iraqis

have carried out whatever

has been demanded from

them in the (U.N.) Security Council resolution," Presi-

"Now, after all this time,

dent Hussein said.

July 17 revolution that the sanctions on the Iraqi

'Iraq, its people and lead-

thing in return.

"We will confiscate lands for this. Even the Palestinians understand that without these roads there is no

solution to the problem." The traditional site of the tomb of Joseph will also fall under Palestinian control, and the tomb of his mother Rachel will be a Jewish "island" in Palestinian territory, Israeli cabinet ministers have decided

Religious Affairs Minister Shimon Shetreet called the decision, which was made public Monday, a dangerous precedent.

The West Bank towns of Bethlehem, site of Rachel's tomb, and Nablus, where Joseph's tomb is located, are supposed to be turned over to the Palestinians when autonomy is expanded beyond the Gaza Strip and Jericho.
At a cabinet meeting on

Sunday, ministers decided that Israeli negotiators should insist on leaving Rachel's tomb as a Jewishcontrolled "island" sur-rounded by Palestinian terri-Bethlebem Mayor Elias

Freij, who is the PLO's tourism minister, has said the Palestinians should get control of Rachel's tomb. The tomb, a small domed,

building with a tall white sepulcher inside, is venerated by both Jewish and Muslim

people have not been re-

moved. Time bas come that

the despots, responsible for

the suffering of our people,

should respond to what is fair

and applicable to the resolu-

tions they took."
Mr. Majeed, a cousin of

President Hussein, has been

entrusted with the leadership

of party organisations in the

Baghdad district of Al Karkh

and the supervision of trade

the decision and no one was

nominated to assume the de-

fence portfolio. Mr. Ma-

ieed's dismissal is the second

cabinet reshuffle this month.

Jawad was replaced by

General Amir Rasheed, the

head of Iraq's Military Indus-

trialisation Commission

Hussein Kamel Hassan, a

son-in-law of the president

and minister of industry and

minerals, now beads MIC. In May, President Hussein

dismissed his balf-brother

Oil Minister Safa Hadi

No reason was given for

PLO officials accused Israel Monday of backtracking in the first day of roundthe-clock talks.

"There has been a negative development," one PLO negotiator said. "Israeli negotiators have presented new initial ideas, which are a fallback on their previous stances regarding redeployment from village areas." Israeli negotiators were un-

available for comment. Under the peace deal sea-led in 1993 with a historic Wbite House handshake, Israel was expected to have withdrawn from West Bank Arab population areas a year ago for elections to a council

that would run daily Palesti-

PLO officials said they expected the venue of the talks to be changed from Zichron Yaacov to Cairo next week. They said issues still outstanding were tough enough that the July 25 deadline for concluding an accord might have to slide.

"The bulk of the accord is already drafted, but the details and the maps require a iot of work, and the gaps on redeployment are still big," one PLO official said.

PLO officials said the heart of the dispute now was the redeployment away from village areas. They said Israel

pilgrims, especially women who come to pray for a children. (Continued on page 7)

Watban Ibrahim Al Hassan

as interior minister and re-

placed him with Mohammad

Zimam Abdul Razzaq, a

member of the party's region-

The party held its conference on July 9 and reelected

President Hussein as its ehief.

Mr. Majeed and other senior

party memebrs also kept

In a party address, carried by the official press on Satur-

day, President Hussein

praised the performance of

the armed forces under Mr.

Iraq on Monday freed two

In an official statement,

Americans jailed in Iraq for

illegally entering the country

issued after the decision.

President Hussein urged the

United States as a superpow-

er to take into account huma-

nitarian considerations when

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tions, a reference to the con-

finuing sanctions on iraq.

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from Kuwait.



AMMAN - Parliamentary committees on Monday voted in favour of conditioning land sale to the Israelis to equal. reciprocal treatment.

On its fourth meeting to review a draft law that repeals boycott of Israel, the Lower House of Parliament's joint Judiciary and Financial Committees introduced several amendments to the draft law that would make land sale to Israelis contingent on Israel making the same provision in its related legislation.

The chairman of the House's Judiciary Commit-tee, Abdul Karim Dughmi. told the Jordan Times Monday that the amendments. that increase restrictions on land sale to foreigners, will be worked out in a joint meeting on Thursday between the chairmen of both

"These amendments are only aimed at putting some sort of a safeguard to protect Jordaniao land and the Jordanian economy against foreign hegemony," said Dr. Dughmi. "But at the same time we tried to make the provisions balanced out so as not to influence prospects of investment in the Kingdom." Several experts testified at the committees' meetings in-

cluding ministers, economists and experts in international law. Dr. Dughmi said the observations made by the experts were very useful to the House's work especially in terms of the repercussions of selling land to foreigners on

amendments were "very well balanced out."

'We made sure that the

His Majesty King Hussein Monday receives the meeting. Present at the audience were His U.S. Congressman Bill Richardson who voiced Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, Chief his country's appreciation for King Hussein's of the Royal Court Marwan Al Qasem and efforts towards establishing a just and lasting U.S. Ambassawdor to Jordan Wesley Egan. Mr. peace in the Middle East. The U.S. adminis-Richardson which hamman following a visit to

tration highly appreciates the King's en-Baghdad in which he secured the release of two deavours and strives to achieve peace and American citizens detained in Iraq (see stories stability in the region, said Mr. Richardson at pages 2 and 12) (Petra photo)

restrictions put on land sale to foreigners do not bamper investment in the country that is vital to its economic growth," Dr. Dughmi said. But Dr. Hammam Sa'eed, a member of the House's Jodiciary Committee, said that the law, regardless of the

proposed amendments, was

detrimental to the country's

national interests. "We are against the law in principle," said Deputy Sa'eed of the Islamic Action Front. "If this law was approved, then it will bave grave consequences on the

country's national interests." Although they participated in all the previous meetings held on the draft law, the 16-member Islamic Action Front deputies withdrew from Monday's meeting.

Dr. Sa'eed said that the enactment of the law would open the door for foreign and Israeli hegemony over the country. He said that Jordan still has sovereignty over Jerusalem and the West Bank in ioternational terms and opening land sale to Israelis meant that Arab territories in Jerusalem and the West Bank

would be sold to Israel. Jordan severed legal and administrative ties with the West Bank in 1988.

"If the door was opened for land sale for foreigners, it would mean that many other concessions will follow," Dr. Sa'eed said.

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King, **Demirel** discuss Bosnia

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein on Monday exchanged views with Turkish President Suleiman Demirel on the situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina and the assault waged by the Serb forces on the Bosnian people. In a telephone conversation with the Turkish president, King Hussein stressed the need for the international community to put an end to the tragic conditions of the Bosnian people. The King voiced Jordan's readiness to contribute to any efforts aiming to alleviate the suf-ferings of the Bosnian people and stopping the Serb aggression against Bosnian

House panel demands Syria, Israel equal Israeli treatment trade charges

DAMASCUS (Agencies)
- Syria on Monday cbarged that early warn-

Golan Heights after any withdrawal would be used for spying.
"The Israelis bold the

Syrians to blame for the freeze in talks because it refuses to have spy sta-tions on its oil," the official Syrian radio said in a commentary.

cated techniques."

In Tel Aviv, mean-while, Prime Minister Yit-

Asked if he agreed with U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher that this was only a technical problem, Mr. Rabin told reporters: "I view it not as a technical matter but a violation of an agree-

Israel and Syria have

for nearly four years been locked in slow-moving peace talks aimed at resolving the future of the Golan Heights captured by Israel from Syria in the 1967 Middle East war and the terms of peace.

Under a deal brokered by the United States.

ing stations that Israel wanted to install on the

Damascus Radio acoenvring and planning to undermine the peace process by raising the issue of early warning stations which bave been overtakeo by new sophisti-

zhak Rabin said Monday that Syria's failure to resume peace talks with Israel at the level of military experts this month violated an agreement with the United States.

ment."

Israeli and Syrian military experts were due to hold follow-up talks in Washington this month to negotiations in June between the army chiefs of the two loogtime foes. Mr. Christopher said

Sunday their ambassadors would meet in Washington io the next two weeks. There is no freeze in

the negotiations but a slowing down," Rabin told parliament. He explained that Syria had agreed to three stages

in talks on security arrangements to accompany an Israeli withdrawal on the Golan Heights: A meeting between

chiefs of staff in Washington June 27 and June 28; — a Middle East shuttle by a U.S. envoy last

- and a meeting between military officers, which bas failed to materialise. "Unfortunately the

Americans bave told me the Syrians no longer see any need to have the officers negotiate," Mr. Rabin

"They prefer talks between ambassadors. It's a violation of something that the Syrians and ourselves agreed. We agreed on a package deal which bas been violated.

"It's a procedural question. But if we violate procedures who is to guarantee there will not be other violations," he

Another Kabariti trip to Riyadh is expected 'soon'; second visit could open way for full reconciliation

By Nermeen Murad Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Foreign Minister Abdul Karim Kabariti will return to Riyadh "very soon" in what officials here believe will be the next step on the road to meaningful reconciliation between Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Kabariti, who ended a "successful" two-day official visit to Saudi Arabia Sunday, will be returning to the Saudi capital "very soon" to meet with Saudi Kiog Fahd Ben Abdul Aziz in a continuing bid to put Jordanian-Saudi relations back on their normal track, according to well-informed

The sources said that while there were reports that the Saudis remained aloof during the minister's visit, the fact is that a "new rapport" has been established "after four long years of estrangement and mutual suspicions."

"This reflects the emergence of a new atmosphere between the two sides, one that will be conducive to full reconciliation hopefully in a short period of time," one of the sources said.

News agency reports from Riyadh which spoke of the Saudi leadership remaining largely aloof to Jordan's latest effort to improve ties have based their analysis on the fact that Mr. Kabariti was not received by King Fahd. But tbe sources said that such a meeting "was never on the cards," and "in anyway this will happen on the next visit by the foreign minister, which will take place

very soon." There was no confirmation of reports that a summit was being arranged be-tween His Majesty King Hussein and King Fahd with most officials saying

talk about this at the present. However, a Saudiowned newspaper with well-established contacts with the Sandi regime attached this headline to its report on the foreign minister's visit: "Kabariti succeeds in his mission" to Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Kabariti, upon returning to Amman Sunday evening, said that Riyadh will send an ambassador to Jordan to fill the post that has been vacant since 1990, adding that the move was part of a Jordanian-Saudi agreement to "break the ice" as a first step.

Jordanian officials say that several factors have contributed to the quickened pace of events towards opening the new dialogue between the two countries, not least of which is Jordan's proven record in its dealings with Baghdad which remains imposed sanctions after its

The officials maintained that the Kingdom has been able to prove, over the past four years, that it abides by the clause of the U.N. resolutions against Baghdad while at the same time maintaining a political dis-tance from the Iraqi reg-

Jordan's relations with the Gulf countries, and especially Saudi Arabia, were scarred by the Jordanian decision to stay out of the U.S.-led coalition of international forces that evicted the Iraqi army from Kuwait in 1991.

Jordan had repeatedly tried to signal that its stance during the Gulf war was not a policy against Kuwait or a condoning of Lrag's invasion but a position against the intervention of foreign countries in what it saw as a purely

After the signing of the Jordan-Israel peace treaty in October last year, however, a new Jordanian

role emerged and it assumed prominence not only because Amman was the second Arab capital after Cairo to make peace with Israel but also because Jordan remained as an important galeway to Iraq under sanctions or without.

"Both ways Jordan is a winner." a well-placed source told the Jordan Times. "Amman is needed to maintain the embargo if it is to continue and it is also needed if the sanctions are lifted; both ways we cannot lose," the source added, explaining that Jordan has found strength at the international level as a result of its peace treaty with Israel as well as its

position towards Iraq. "This has come to be appreciated by Saudi Arabia and other Gulf coun-

During his visit Mr. Kabariti and Prince Saud held a two hour "lele-a-tête" meeting which was followed by a private dinner 21 the Prince's house. Although the source who spoke to the Jordan Times, on condition of anonymity would not reveal the details of the discussions between Mr. Kabariti and Prince Faisal, one well-informed officiel told the Jordan Times that the two agreed that "tension over issues that were expected to be a problem appeared to have

He was also referring to tension that grew last year over the guardianship of the Islamic Holy Places in Jerusalem. When Israel conceded that Jordan sbould continue to have a prominent role in guarding these places, Saudi Arabia indicated its clear dissatis-

ment. In the meeting between Prince Saud and Mr. Kabariti there was agreement between the two sides that "Jerusalem is not a problem," a well-informed source said.

"There may be need to talk about or discuss our positions later on, but there was no problem Monday," the source added.

The encounter between the two ministers came after a series of "secret and discreet communications" between Mr. Kabariti and Prince Saud that began after Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker formed bis government in January of this year.

"There was a sequence of events that led to this week's meeting and bopefully would lead towards improved relations between the two countries," a senior Foreign Ministry official said.

change of messages between the two foreign ministers that were followed by the Bahraini foreign minister arranging a meeting between the two during the Cairo confer-ence," the source said in reference 10 an earlier encounter held on the fringe of an Arab League foreign ministers' conference in Cairo in March.

"After the meeting the contacts continued between Amman and Riyadh through a series of letters from Amman that received positive responses from the Saudi side.

The exchange of letters, on technical aspects of the bilateral relationship, was accompanied with restraint by the Jordanian media against criticism of Saudi Arabia and its ruling fami-

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Americans arrive in Jordan after release from Iraq

TREBIL, Jordan (AP) — Two Americans freed from Iraqi prison arrived safely in Jordan Monday following a

nighttime car journey from irag's capital of Baghdad.
William Barlooo and David Daliberti, accompanied by U.S. Congressman Bill Richardson, crossed into dordan at 8:15 a.m. (0515 GMT), a day after Iraqi Presideot Saddam Hussein freed them from a maximum secur-

ity prisoo outside Baghdad.
"I feel very great, very good," a beaming Barloon told reporters as he and Mr. Daliberti emerged from an Iraqi Foreign Ministry car and entered the VIP lounge at the Jordanian border post.

Mr. Barlono said he was looking forward to reuniting with his family. Mr. Daliberti stood next to him, refusing to say anything other than it's 'a great day.'

· Neither would talk about their four-month imprison-!:ment.

The Americans were whisked away from the bor-der in a U.S. embassy car. Other emhassy cars followed on the 300-kilometre journey to Amman.

In Washingtoo, the State Department welcomed the development.

"We are pleased that Congressman Richardson was able to secure their release. And we want to express our appreciation for his humanitarian mission," said State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns.

The Americans speot Sun-day evening in Baghdad be-fore setting out before dawn oo their lengthy drive to the Jordanian horder. United : Nations sanctions have restricted flights in and out of

Speaking to reporters at the border, Mr. Richardson said Mr. Daliberti would accompany bim to the United States later in the day, while Mr. Barloon had "other plans" for reuniting with his

Mr. Barloon's family lives in Kuwait, although his wife Linda was on business trip to Singapore Sunday when she learned of his release. Mr. Daliberti's family is in Flor-

Mr. Barloon, 39, and Mr. Daliberti, 41, were detained in southern Iraq on March 13 after straying across the border from Kuwait, where they were working for U.S. defence contractors.

Sentenced to eight years in prison, they were held for four months until Saddam released them following a personal appeal Sunday by Mr. Richardson, a New Mexico Democrat.

The release followed U.N. Security Council decision last week to extend trade sanctions against Iraq for another

60 days.
The United States bas remained firmly committed to maiotaining the sanctions, imposed after Saddam's 1990 invasioo of Kuwait, and threateoed to use its veto power against any proposed relaxatioo.

However, Saddam may be hoping that, with the sanctions biting ever deeper, his gesture will be rewarded with leniency at the next review of the embargo.

"The Iragis raised the sanctions issue, hut I made it clear that my interest was the bumanitarian release of the two Americaos," Mr. Richardsoo said in his meetings with Saddam and other officials in Baghdad.

"There were no deals, oo agreements, no coocessions, he stressed.

He said be had approached Iraq's mission at the United Nations in New York three months ago for permission to travel to Iraq to make an appeal on the Americans' be-

He said that oo July 4 he received indications from the Iraqis that the Americans would be released oo bumanitarian grounds. He said the Clinton admi-

nistration knew about his plans and that the he got "all types of support from the State Department logistical-

Asked if be thought the Iraq gesture would help improve relations with Washington, Mr. Richardson said the release was "a bumamitarian step that makes the atmosphere better for improving the relationship, which is



Americans David Daliberti (right) and William Barloon Monday smile opon arrival in Jordan. The two Americans, who had spent four mouths in an Iraqi jail for illegally

entering Iraq, were freed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Sunday (photo by Yousef Al Allan)

Turkish

protesters

denounce

Ghali for

Bosnia war

ISTANBUL (AP) — Calling the U.N. secretary-general an "enemy of Islam," politic-

al leaders staged rallies Sun-day to hlame him for the bloodshed in Bosnia and de-

nounced his planned visit to

Boutros Ghali, ao

Egyptian-boro Christian, is

scheduled to arrive Tuesday

to discuss preparations for a U.N. summit next year. He

also plaos meetings with Prime Minister Tansu Ciller

and other officials during the

Turks are angered by the lack of international will to

battle Bosnian Serbs, who bave targetted U.N.-protected Muslim enclaves in

eastern Bosnia. Thousands of

refugees have fled the Serh

advance and Muslim men and

boys were captured.
"Gbali is known as a

murderer. He is... an enemy

of Islam," said Necmettin Erbakan, leader of the Mus-

lim fundamentalist Welfare

Party at a rally in Istanbul.

He accused the govern-

ment of "committing a crime

Turkey.

four-day visit.

Heikal: Mubarak must share power

CAIRO (R) — Egyptian clder statesman Mohammad Hassanein Heikai, a man often portrayed as the conscience of the nation, has urged President Hosni Mobarak to share power so that the country does not fall apart when he goes.

In an interview published in the weekly magazine Rose Al., Youssef Monday, Mr. Heikal said the army would have grahbed power if Mr. Mubarak had died in the attack on his motorcade io the Ethiopian capital Addis Ababa on June 26.

The assassination attempt had been a golden opportunity for Mr. Moharak to make constructive changes but the people in power bad abused it to preserve the status quo. he said.

"The army would have come in and taken power. There's no vice president and the government there is has no credibility. What I would have expected is that the! army would have stretched out its hand and taken power," be said.

"The army is forbidden territory which we don't speak about or know what's in it, so in this case we have no idea what the next government would be, and that's the disaster," he added.

Government officials have avoided discussing the succession question since the Addis Ababa incident, saying only that the constitution provides for a smooth transi-

But in practice no civilian politician has the stature or the power base to fill Mr. Muharak's shoes with ease.

Mr. Heikal, a widely published author and journalist who was a minister and close confidant of former President Gamal Abdul Nasser, said his greatest concern was for the survival of the Egyptian state and Mr. Moharak's death could endanger that.

"If the symbol of the state (Muharak) had gone in these circumstances, without a way to transfer power, we woold be face to face with unknown quantities which could lead to the state falling apart," be Mr. Heikal criticised the

sloganeering and sycophantic,, acts of bomage to Mr. Mubarak which filled the state media for days after the Addis Ababa incident, widely blamed on Muslim mili-

"The cameras showed pic-

tures of animals being slaughtered dripping with blood (in celebration). They didn't stop to discuss what had happened," he said.

"The answer to the people should have been: 'Now I realise how much you depend on me and my first doty is to spare you the danger of relying oo one individual'," he

"Power is now conceotrated in the hand of the president... So he must say to people: 'My duty, after the anxiety you felt, is to reduce the dependence on ooe person. Come let's do this and that.' Bot so far that hasn't happened," he said.

Asked about "terrorism". the government's term for political violence by Muslim militants seeking to over-throw Mr. Mubarak, Mr. Heikal said be did not believe in the term.

"Society has overt vioence, which is worrying. But to call, it, terrorism is a mistake. There were fewer killed in the Suez War (in 1956) than in the last few years," he

More than 800 people have been killed since 1992 in the conflict between the police and Muslim mibtants.

> Bolent Ecevit, a former prime minister and head of the Democratic Left Party, said in an interview with the Istanbul daily Milliyet: "Ghah may not be the only name in the U.N.'s incompetence in Bosnia, but bis responsibility is great." He said he did not plan to meet him.

The independent Industrialists' and Businessmen's Association, in a written statement, beld the secretarygeneral responsible for "the murder of 300,000 Muslims in Bosnia" and called for the visit to be cancelled.

Honouring Dr. Gbali with a reception fit for a head of state would "hurt the dignity of the people of Turkey, said Imren Aykut, assistant secretary-general of the main opposition Motherland Party. She appealed high government officials to snuh Dr. Ghali.

A Bosnian Muslim group that marched down Istanbul's main street last week called the visit an insult to Turkey's Muslims. "Murderer Gbali, don't come to Turkey," they

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NICOSIA (R) — Iran is seeking to collect at least \$4 billion in deht owed to it by Israel partly for oil sales since before the 1979 Islamic Revolution, the Iranian News Agency IRNA reported Sunday. It quoted parliament member Hojatoleslam Hussein Sobhanian as saying in a newspaper interview that the parliament's Foreign Affairs Commission was seeking to recoup the debt also owed from defence purchases and a pipeline project in Aqaba Port. "Regarding the money owed to Iran by Israel, I should say that after investigations we found they owe Iran more than \$3-4 billion," it quoted bim as telling Kayhan Ioternational.".. Taking into account the interest accumulated from these dehts and investments by the Pahlavi regime the amount now exceeds \$4 billion. "We will contioue our efforts in this respect," he said. It was not immediately clear whether the figure was part of the \$8 billioo which commission member Hassan Qashqavi said in May that Iran was trying to recoup from Israel for investments made by Tehran before the

Sudan appoints ambassador to S. Arabia

DUBAI (R) — Sudan has appointed an ambassador to Saudi Arabia, a post which bas been vacant for at least three years, Sudanese diplomats said Sunday. They told Reuters that Sudan's Foreign Ministry approved the appointment to Riyadh of Abdullah Ahmad Al Bashir, formerly an envoy to Germany. Its last ambassador to Saudi left in 1992. Impoverished Sudan was among the Arab states which lost vital Gulf Arah political and financial support for appearing to sympathise with Iraq during the 1990-91 Gulf crisis. Sudan's Foreign Minister Ali Osman Mohammad Taha was in Bahrain Sunday as part of a tour of Gulf states, including Saudi Arahia, to rally support for Khartoum in a row with Cairo. He bas also been to United Arab Emirates, Oman, and Qatar.

U.N. team leaves for Baghdad

MANAMA (AFP) - U.N. experts left for Baghdad Monday to see if Iraq was nearer fulfilling a promise to disclose all its germ warfare secrets by the end of July, a spokesman said. Eight experts led by American Richard Spurtzel left Bahrain for a week-long mission to study a draft report Iraq had promised to release on its biological weapons programme, the U.N. official said. U.N. officials said the germ warfare issue was the only obstacle to lifting the sanctions imposed after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 1990. The U.N. Security Council maintained the sanctions at a regular review on July 11. Rolf Ekeus, bead of the U.N. Special Commission (UNSCOM) on disarming Iraq, said after a visit bere three weeks ago that Iraq had promised a "full, final, and complete disclosure of all aspects" of the programme hy the end of July. After having denied for years having ever produced biological weapons or ageots, Iraq admitted in June to having developed an offensive germ warfare programme between 1985 to 1990, just before the U.S.-led war to liberate Kuwait.

Israel takes in 750 informers

TEL AVIV (AFP) - Israel has re-settled 750 Palestinian informers and their families inside the Jewish state in recent months to protect them from revenge attacks, a newspaper reported Monday. The daily Haaretz said several hundred more families would also be moved from the West Bank, where their lives may be in danger, before antonomy spreads over the territory. The Defence Ministry estimates the number of collaborators at 1.500 or a total of 6,000 people including their dependents. The "rehabilita- !! tion" operation, which will cost several million dollars, is being led by reserve General Menahem Einan, who was appointed to the post by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin in February, the newspaper said. "The Israeli government considers it has a moral responsibility to ensure the personal security and rehabilitation of those who help us and who are now seeking our assistance." Gen. Einan told Haaretz. However he admitted that re-settlement conditions did not always meet the collaborators' expectations. Informers regularly take part in interrogations and torture of Palestinian suspects, according to human rights groups. The mayors of several Arab towns within Israel bave in recent months protested at attempts to settle collaborators in their areas. And some Jewish municipal officials bave refused to accept Palestinian informers fearing trouble and revenge attacks.

Arafat's support down in West Bank, Gaza

OCCUPIED JÉRUSALEM (R) — PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's support in the West Bank and Gaza dropped during recent talks with Israel on expanding Palestinian self-rule, a poll showed. A survey of 1,109 Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and self-rule Gaza conducted by the Centre for Palestine Research and Studies (CPRS) showed Mr. Arafat would win 49.3 per cent of the vote if elections to a self-rule council were held now. A poll conducted by the same group in March 1995 showed Mr. Arafat would win 56.5 per cent of the vote. Only 31 per cent of those questioned had a positive view of how Mr. Arafat's Palestinian authority is managing negotiations with Israel, with 29 per cent saying it was fair and 26 per cent finding it weak, the poll said. The poll support for two other Palestinian figures remained stable. Mr. Arafat's main rival, Sheikh Ahmad Yassin, the jailed leader of the Hamas Islamic Resistance Movement, would win 13.4 per cent of the vote, compared to 13.5 per cent in March, the poll said. Former Palestinian peace negotiator Haider Abdul Shafi, who has criticised Mr. Arafat for not being democratic enough, came a distant third with 7.6 per cent, identical to his showing in March. George Habash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine got almost four per cent while the remainder went to "others."

Saudis move decisively to settle border problems

Saudi Arabia is moving decisively to settle border problems that have often soured ties with neighbours in the strategie region, which controls two thirds of world oil reserves, diplomas in the Gulf said.

The vast desert kingdom's failure to delineate thousands of kilometres of land frontiers with seven neighhours had led to charges that even where it did not covet their territory. it appeared insensitive to concerns of the smaller states around.

Gulf diplomats said the sparsley-populated state of 17 million people, which has 10 times the area of Britain and double that of South Africa, appears to have found a new determination to settle outstanding border issues.

'They (the Saudis) are moving quickly to end these problems once and for all." one Culf diplomat said.

"They appear to have decided that these problems were not worth the hassle, were undermining Saudi leadership in the region and giving the country a had name... They are better off without them," he added.

"Saudi leaders want to put these (border) problems bebind them and focus on important geo-political and domestic issues," said He spoke of Riyadh's

concerns about potential threats from two other regional giants - Iran and Iraq — about Saudi Arahia's own troubled economy and the drive to contain the spread of Muslim fundamentalist extremism at home.

Saudi Arabia's northern borders with Jordan and Iraq were largely settled in the 1920s.

Riyadh has moved so far this year to settle its border with the United Arah Emirates (UAE), signed a border deal with Oman and a framework for delineating its border with Yemen, and is reported to be preparing for a border settlement with

The diplomat said there were also hopes of early moves to settle a ticklish border problem with Oatar. which led to a bloody clash three years ago, after Qatar's crown prince replaced his father as emir last month.

The moves came after an annual summit of the sixnation Gulf Cooperation Council of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the UAE decided last December to try to resolve all regional border issues by the time its leaders meet again in Muscat next December.

The diplomats said this was taken at the time as another statement of GCC amhition that fell far short

of reality.
"But the Saudis bave delighted their neighbours by moving swiftly to fulfil this promise," one Arab diplomat said.

Saudi Arabia's founding King Abdul Aziz unified the heartland of the Arahian peninsula by military conquest before establishing his kingdom in 1932.

The failore of his heirs to delineate borders with their neighbours left some of the smaller states wondering about Saudi intentions. with some suspecting Riyadh might one day want to create a greater Saudi Arabia, the diplomats said.

Western diplomats in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf dismiss these fears as onfounded, noting that Riyadh has formally recognised all its neighbours and has been effective leader of the GCC that includes most of them.

But it has in the past

sought minor territorial adjustments.

This iocladed areas of oil potential like its borders with Yemen, the UAE and Kuwait or of strategic importance like the Khor Al-Udaid just south of the Qatar peninsula which it has acquired under a deal with the UAE that gave it naval access to the lower Gulf for the first time. Diplomats attribute the

snail's pace of border settlement in the past largely to traditional Saudi caution and Riyadh's slow-moving foreign policy machine "I don't think the Saudis

are starting to give anything away," a senior Western diplomat said of the latest

"But they seem to think that the greater concern now was their credibility as the leaders of the Gulf, which is undermined by any claims on the territories of those same Gulf neighbours," he added.

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Queen Noor urges decisive action to end Bosnian civilian suffering

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l am wriong you today to share with you my anguish and shock at the recent turn of events io Bosnia-Herzegovina and to urge you to act in the name of compassioo and political solidarity for the rights and dignity of all human beings, said the Oueeo's message.

The brutalisation of innocent Bosnian civilians has now been compounded hy flagrant contempt for the force of law that hinds us in nations, said the Oueen. If the UN-designated safe

havens in Bosnia are allowed to be overrup by Serbian aggressors, such a precedent would make a mockery of the concepts of the rule of the law and collective international action for peace and security. This could imperil the national rights and well-being of other countries throughout the world, the Queen's message warned.

around the world consult about the most appropriate diplomatic or military responses, I feel strongly that we can use our personal influence to work towards two immediate aims: to generate fresh material assistance to alleviate the suffering of Bosnian civilians who

While political leaders

are being subjected to inhuman and degrading treatment and to affirm the integrity of the political will and force of law of the internacional community, as expressed through the United Nations, the message

I urge you to consult quickly, the Queen said, with the political and humanitarian organisations in your country in order to raise the level of our collective accorn for peace and justice to a more effective level.

Let us act firmly together, the Queen's message urged, to help end this dangerous and degrading cycle of political and ethnic militarism that may spread around the world if it is not firmly suppressed today in Bosnia-

Sharif Zeid briefs visiting students on Jordanian concern over Bosnia crisis

AMMAN (Petra) - Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker Monday called for stepped-up international efforts to halt the inhuman practices against the Bosnian population.

Speaking at a meeting in his office with a delegation of British and United States students, who are currently on a visit to Jordan, the Prime Minister said the world community shoold not sit hy passively and watch the deteriorating situation in former Yugoslavia with arms folded.

The Prime Minister, who was speaking two days after His Majesty King Hussein voiced Jordan's condemnation of the heinous crimes committed by the Serbs against the Bosnian population, reiterated Jordan's deep concern over human rights violations and the aggression to which the Bosnian people are being subjected. In reference to the Palestine question and the Middle

East peace process, the Prime Minister said that Jordan was ready to provide all possible assistance to the Palestinian people to enable them to establish their own independent state on Palestinian soil

Speaking in the presence of Foreign Minister Abdul Karim Kahariti, the Prime Minister stressed that Jordan was against all forms of violence and terrorism, and that the country desired oothing more than friendly relations with all nations in general and Arab countries in partic-

The delegation was earlier received hy Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education Abdul Raonf Rawabdeh, who hriefed the visiting students on Jordan's history and explained the educational system in the Kingdom as well as the Ministry of Educatioo's projected improvement on the quality of school education.



Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker, in the presence of Foreign Minister Abdul Karim Kabariti, Monday meets with a delegation of students from the U.K. and U.S. and hriefs them on Jordan's concern over human rights violations against Bosnian civil-

Israeli abuses of human rights continue -- report

AMMAN (Petra) - Despite Palestinian Israeli agreements. Israeli authorines are going ahead with plans to judaise the Palestinian territories in violation of all international laws, a report on the sitation in Israeli-held Arah lands, published hy Palestine Affairs Department Monday stated.

The report pointed in particular to the ongoing excavation work under holy shrines, including Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem. Digs were causing damage to nearby schools and archaeosites, the report revealed.

authorities entrusted with safeguarding

the mosque and holy shrines have repeatedly protested against the Israeli digs

which in the past two months have caused the collapse of part of the Omarieh near Al Aqsa Mosque, the report stated. The Israelis have further-

more prevented workers employed by the Awqaf department from entering the area to inspect the extent of damage and Awqaf authorities have protested against the Israeli decision to ban Muslims from reaching Al Aqsa mosque for prayers and have alerted Arab and Muslim states and world organisations of the

dangers of these practices,

the report said.

Israelis were going ahead with huilding settlements in various parts of the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip, the report added, while Israelis have stormed a number of Arah homes for resettlement purposes in the past month and Israeli bulldozers were still at work around the city.

Israelis still hold more than 6,000 Arab detainees in miserable conditions and continue to subject them to

The report said that 1,375 Arabs have been killed by the Israeli forces since the beginning of the intifada in

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Child found burnt in Zarqa home By Rana Husseini Special to the Jordan Times ZARQA -- Police Monday investigated the death of a 12-

year-old girl who was found hurnt beyond recognition Sunday in her home in the Al Zawahreh neighbourhood in Zarqa, according to official reports. According to the report, the victim's body was found by

officials in the kitchen of ber bome. The child was rushed to Zarqa Government Hospital, hut was declared dead on arrival, one source told the Jordan Times.

The source said traces of kerosene were detected on the kitchen flour and on the victim's clothes.

A next-door neighbour told the Jordan Times that the victim, Lamia Imad, was alone at home when the incident occurred, and said that she saw smoke coming out of the victim's window.

"When rescue units arrived on the scene they found no hlaze to extinguish, hut a child's body in the kitchen instead, the neighbour said.

Aschoolmate of the victim, who was the last to see Lamia said that Lamia had spoken of her despair and depression because ber father was in jail and her mother was away most of the time at work. 'Lamia always complained to me that she was sick of life

because she was lonely and her relatives never took good care of her," she said. According to the schoolmate, Lamia's grandmother had

been living with the family at irregular intervals. The grandmother had, according to the schoolmate, left for Amman the day Lamia was found burnt. The victim's father, a neighbour confirmed, was coostant-

ly in and out of jail, and added that Lamia's father had divorced her mother and was not supporting the family. Zarqa police declined to release any further details. How-

ever, according to a source, an autopsy will be performed on the child's hody to determine if she was murdered before she was hurnt.

Saudi child, mother killed in road accident

Also on Sunday, two people, including a eighteen-month-old child, were killed and five more injured in a road collision on the Madaba highway, Civil Defence Department CDD) reports said. .

The report said that the accident, which occurred near Muthalath Thiban, involved a vehicle that was carrying a Saudi Arabian family. The driver of the vehicle, Mohammad Hamid Umran, 38,

lost control of his vehicle and overturned, killing his wife and one of his five children, according to the report. The deceased were identified as Za'edah Odeh Umran. 35. and her eighteen-month-old son Muhannad Mohammad.

Mr. Umran and his four children, ages 5 to 14 suffered from hruises and fractures and were listed in fair to good Sunday's accident brings the number of people killed in

road accidents over the past four days to three and the injured to 16 people after a road collision Friday between a public hus and a private vehicle in Honwara towo in Madaha killed one person and injured 11.

Jordan Television to dedicate Friday in aid of Bosnians

House condemns inhuman treatment of Bosnians

AMMAN (Petra) - Jordan forces and urged the world Television will dedicate a special programme Friday July 21 to collect contribudons from Jordanian citizens and institutions as aid relief for Bosnian civilians. a statement said, after a meeting was held to discuss financial assistance to the Bosnian people. The decision was taken hy

representatives of Jordan Radio and Television, Jordan News Agency, Telecommunications Corporation, the Hashemite Charity Organisation, and the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs who held the meeting Monday in order to discuss methods of assistance to Bosnian civilians.

Also Monday, the Lower Iouse of Parliament House of expressed Jordanian people's condemnation of the brutal massacres committed against the Bosnian population at the hands of Serbian community to honour its commitments by providing protection to Bosnian civil-

The world community and

various world parliaments should exert all efforts towards the implementatioo of United Nations resolutioos on the situation in Bosnia, a statement issued by the House said. Serbian attacks have

caused the deaths of hundreds of innocent civilians and the displacement of teos of thousands of others as well as the demolition of homes, the statement said. The House has been fol-

lowing the news about the appalling massacres and is calling on the world community to honour its ohligation and provide protection to the local civilian population of Bosnia and to allow them to acquire the arms

needed for self-defence. The statement appealed to all world parliaments, including the European par-

liament to place pressure on their governments to take action on the implementatioo of U.N. resolutions and to help find a just settlement to the crisis and halt the massacre of innocent civil-

The statement voiced Jordanian people's full support for the Bosnians and urged Jordanians to extend all forms of aid to the Bosnian

Following the statement, House Speaker Saed Hayel Srour said that Jordan was keeo on taking on its humanitarian role in assisting Bosnians and that the world community is bound by duty to stop the hrutal attacks on civilians and to safeguard the human rights of the Bosnian people.

Africa Economic Summit (Petra photo) Russia to take part in MENA summit

Minister of Planning Rima Khalaf Monday talks to Russian Ambassador to Jordan

Alexander Saltanov about his country's participation in the Middle East and North

AMMAN (Petra) - Russian Amhassador to Jordan Alexander Saltanov said Monday that his country will take part in the Middle

East and North Africa . (MENA) Economic Summit due to be held in Amman in October and will call on government-sponsored companies in his country to help in the execution of Jordanian projects, especially those connected with irrigation.

The ambassador, who was

speaking at a meeting with Minister of Planning Rima Khalaf, said that Russia was willing to hack efforts for the establishment of the projected MENA Development

The minister discussed the objectives of the MENA summit and the on-going preparations in Jordan for ensuring its success. She said that the private and public sectors are combining their efforts in preparing

plans for the projects at local and regional levels to be presented to the forthcoming conference.

Dr. Khalaf and the ambassador also reviewed Russian-Jordanian relations and discussed economic developments in the Russian Fed-

Present at the meeting were senior Ministry of Planning officials and Russian embassy staff.

Mafraq farmers complain to premier of low tomato prices

AMMAN (J.T.) - Farmers from the Mafraq governorate Monday complained to the government over what they considered a low price rate of tomatoes produced hy their farms and sold to the tomato processing plant in Mafrag.

A group of tomato producers voiced their complaints to Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Beo Shaker at a meeting io his office attended by Lower House of Parliament Speaker Saed Hayel Srour and Minister of State Mohammad Ahu Aleem, both house deputies from the Mafraq district.

The Jordan News Agency, Petra, quoted the farmers as saying that the recently fixed government price of JD 50 a tonne of tomato hrought to the plant for processing was not fair and would not eoable the farmers cover the cost of production inputs.

The farmers expressed hope that the government would raise the price rate of iomatoes to ensure a reasonable margin of profit for the producers... In reply the prime minister

promised that the governmeot will look into the problem as soon as possible and will try to serve the farmers justice.

Jordan processes tomato at three plants :one at Ghor

Safi in the south, another at Arida west of Amman and the third at Mafraq and the government normally fixes the price rates of tomots sold to these plants for process-

According to Petra, the government had recently taken a decision to fix the price of these tomatoes at JD 50 a tonne, scrapping an earlier rate of JD 30 to JD 60 per tonne of tomatoes depending on the quality of tomatoes.

It said that the new rate was coosidered by the government as fair because it does not leave room for mis judgment of the quality of tomatoes on the part of the processing plant

Israeli-Arab businessmen arrive to attend trade talks with Jordan

AMMAN (J.T.) - The first executive meeting between Jordanian and Palestinian-Israeli businessmen will open in Amman today under the patronage of His Royal Highness Crown Prince

The highlight of the opening ceremony will bean address by the Crown Prince to be followed by a talk by the head of the Palestinian-Israeli delegation, Sami Shahin, who is also president of the Nazareth Chamber of Industry and Commerce.

The Executive Chairman of the Hashemite Association Mr. Ma'an Zabian will also give a welcoming address at the opening ceremony. The meeting is sponsored by the Hashemite Associa-

More than 150 Palestintan-Israeli businessmen as well as a similar number of Jordanian counterparts are expected to attend the three-day meeting and deliberate over ways to re-establish economic links between the

two sides. The Palestinian-Israeli group, who arrived in Amman via the Sheikh Hussein bridge said that they will discuss means of initiating trade and economic relations with the Kingdom.

In a statement upon arrival here Mr. Shahin "we Palestiniansaid: Israeli businessmen have come here to get acquainted with Jordanian businessmen and are making the attempt following half a century of non-existence links. We also intend to visit our relatives and friends in the Kingdom."

According to Mr. Shahin, the delegation represents 19 different Arab towns and villages and talks will centre on areas of cooperation between the two sides.

What's going on

The following listings are compiled from monthly bulletins and the daily Arabic press. Readers are advised to verify the listed time and place with the concerned institutions

LECTURE AND SEMINAR

*Lecture, in Arabic, entitled "The Relationship between the Palestinian National Council and the Palestinian National Aurthority" by PNC Acting Speaker Salim Za'noun at Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation, Jabal Amman at 6.30 pm.

*Seminar in Arabic entitled "The Modern Poem in Jordan" with the participation of Ahmad Muslih and Dr. Salah Jarrar at the Phoenix Gallery for Culture and Art at 7.00pm.

NEWS

*ABC News Highlights and McNeil-Lehrer News Hour at the American Center on Thursday at 5.00pm.

EXHIBITION .

*Exhibition in honour of Palestinian inofada victims and detainees at Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation *Works by Khdeir Sbukraji at Ab'ad Art Gallery.

*Paintings by Adnan Yahya at Darat Al Funun. *Exhibition on the development of cinema over the past century at the French Cultural Centre.

Dairy producers give in to price rise terms

By Lola Keilani Special to the Jordan Times

Amman -- Dairy producers on Monday decided to cancel a planned strike and to give in to terms spelled out by the Ministry of Supply on the price increases of fresh milk as well as other dairy products.

In a meeting held by ten dairy producers at the Amman Chamber of Commerce, dairy producers agreed to buy fresh milk for the new price of 230 fils per litre, and to dairy products according to the new rates which were set by committee members from the Ministry of Supply, Ministry of Agriculture and

the Ministry of Trade and Industry, plus representatives of dairy producers. In a statement sent to the Ministry of Supply, producers hoped that the

ministry would form a technical committee to study the cost of produc-tion in light of the rise in production input. The Ministry of Supply says representatives of

for a 10 per cent profit margin for dairy produc-They changed their mind, and called for a strike because they are

greedy," said Head of the Public Relations Department at the Ministry of

Supply, Ahmad Theban.
The dispute erupted when the Ministry of Supply had to increase the prices of fresh milk on September 10th from 210 fils to 230 fils per litre, due to the pressure the ministry faced from cow breeders when prices of animal feed rose in the international market.

The decision will cost

us an average loss of JD dairy producers in the 13.000 a month despite committee, agreed on the price hikes of the dairy the new increase in dairy products, which allows product prices, said Mr.Omar Horani, deputy general of Jordanian Dairy Products.

'We want the increase in the prices of the dairy products to be equal to the increase in milk prices." Mr. Horam added.

Sri Lankan rebels admit losing 80, including women

COLOMBO (Agencies) — boats were sunk, captured two women rebels swimming rillas have admitted losing 80 fighters, including women suicide bombers, in land and sea battles in their northern Jaffna stronghold since Friday, residents said Monday.

They quoted the rehel radin station as saying 17 "Sea Tigers," all but one women, were killed in a battle at sea off the Jaffna peninsula Sunday. Three of the women were "Black Tiger" sincide fighters, they said.

Tiger radio also said 63 rebels were killed Friday in a major counter-attack on govemment troops who had advanced to within six kilometres of Jaffna city in a week-long offensive

The Sri Lankan military said Monday that 17 rebels, apparently nn reconnaissance missions, were killed on the Jaffna peninsula Sunday evening and Monday morn-

ng.
Tiger radio promised more counter-attacks on the army; said the residents on arrival at Vavuniya, the northernmost town under government control.

They said one civilian was killed and five were wounded in heavy army shelling of the peninsula Snnday.

Sunday's naval battle ineluded the sinking of a navy command ship by Tiger divers who attached time bombs to it as Tiger boats made diversionary attacks, a military spokesman said

A navy Dvora-class fastattack craft taking part in the battle in which three Tiger

in the area after the fight, be told Reuters. "There were three female cadres swimming in the area," he said. "When nur Dvora went to puck them up, one swallowed cyanide. We captured the

Rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), fighting for an inde-pendent homeland for minority Tamils in the north and east, wear cyanide capsules around their necks and often swallow them if in danger of

other two.'

Tiger radin said only one boat was lost in the attack, residents told Reuters.

The command ship, nne of three used to monitor northern waters and guide navy patrnls in intercept rebel boats, sank after it was holed in two places

The attack was the second in the same place in the past year — Sea Tiger divers sank a similar ship there in August and was similar to an attack on April 19 in which two Shanghai-class gunboats were sunk in the eastern port of Trincomalee.

That attack broke a 14week truce and brought to a halt peace talks on ending a 12-year ethnic war in which the government says more than 50,000 people have been

Since the truce ended. more than 600 rebels, soldiers and civilians have been

The spokesman said gov-ernment troops who pusbed

close to Jaffna City were consolidating their positions and conducting search operations for rebels in captured terri-

The army says 64 soldiers and a "large number" of re-bels have died in an offensive codenamed Operation Leap

Rebel radio said Saturday 150 soldiers and 50 Tamil Tiger rebels had been killed since the offensive began and hundreds of thousands of Tamil civilians had fled their

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) says more than 100 people. mostly civilians, have been

At least 30 people were killed when a Tamil Tiger guerrilla truck, packed with arms and explosives, blew up accidentally in Sri Lanka's northern Jaffna peninsula, press reports here said Mon-

Tamil sources travelling from the region, which is dominated by the LTTE, said a blast had occurred at Thavadi Saturday but had no casualty figures.

The state-run daily Observer said 30 people, including civilians, died in the accident, which occurred as security forces continued the offen-

Meanwhile Sri Lankan anthorines were trying to establish the identity of 21 Sri Lankans found dead inside a truck in western Hungary, the Foreign Ministry said

The Sri Lankans were found dead, probably from

heat asphyxiatinn, Saturday in a truck in a parking lot near the town of Gyoer.

Earlier reports from Hungary said that 18 had died. The Foreign Ministry said its consul in Hungary would visit some of the survivors Monday and try to establish the identity of the victims.

The ministry was exploring

the possibility of bringing the

bodies home, an official said. Nineteen Sri Lankans who survived the jnurney said they had each paid \$800 to human smngglers who had disappeared along with the driver when the truck was

The surviving Sri Lankans, who boarded the truck in Romania on Thursday, were severely dehydrated and taken to a hospital in Gyoer in "very bad condition," a Hungarian police spokesman

A policeman's suspicion was raised when he noticed the truck parked with its win-dows open in the parking lot. The victims apparently had had nothing to eat or drink

Bulgaria arrest driver of death truck

for three days.

Bulgarian police have arrested the driver of the truck, Bulgaria's interior minister told state television

Among Chicago's dead were a 75-year-old woman and Interior Minister Lyubomir her 65-year-old husband. Nachev said the arrested man was the driver of the truck Japan's LDP alleged to have been used in illegal trafficking of people from Sri Lanka.

Taiwan calls on China to resume

TAIPEI (AFP) — Taiwaneşe leaders Monday-urged China to resume negotiations to achieve eventual reunification of the rivals, whose relations have been soured by Taipei's latest efforts to win international recognition.

Premier Lien Chan, speak-

"Only with mutual trust negotiate and finally achieve

soured by Taiwanese President Lee Teng-Hui's "private visit" to the United States Murayama should stay on

come what May.
"It is possible that Mr. Murayama will no longer be able to stay in the post of bearer of his party's right wing, "But we won't ask him In the first nationwide elec-tions since 1993 and the first

Watanabe, long a standard-

Scores more die in U.S. heat wave

overhead.

found dead in their 49-degree

Celsius (120-degree Fahrenheit) bedroom Friday

with a ceiling fan whirring

were in the bedroom and not

in the basement where it's

cool, but they couldn't walk

down there," neighbour

The nation's deadly tally

topped the count in 1987,

when at least 96 deaths from

the plains to the east coast

were blamed on heat, but didn't approach the 1980 heat

wave that killed an estimated

Though it hatched storms, the cool air was rushing in. It

Danyel Gooch said.

1,500 people.

"We wondered why they

days in a row (AFP photo)

props up Murayama

warmed to 33C (92F) at

Baltimore-Washington Inter-

national Airport, compared

to Saturday's record of 39C

(102F). Boston enjoyed a high of 36C (78F), down sharply from Friday's 38C (100F), the hottest it's been

In Philadelphia, autopsies performed Sunday revealed that heat contributed to the

death of 15 people, said Jeff

Moran, a spokesman for the

city bealth department.
In New York City, II peo-

ple died of heat-related

causes in the 24 hours ending

at g a.m. Sunday, said Ellen

Borakove, a spokeswoman for the medical examiner.

view an outcome of less than

22 seats, its tally from the

previous upper house election in 1992, as a loss for

which Mr. Murayama should

Bnt Mr. Kubo later lo-

wered the burdle for Mr.

Murayama from 22 to 15

seats, and on Sunday

appeared to join the LDP in

unconditionally wishing bim

announced an economic sti-

mulus parkage and have the responsibility to implement it after the election," Mr. Kubo said in a televised debate."

In a sign of how topsy-turvy politics has become in

the Murayama era of left-

right alliances, LDP moder-

ates have taken swipes at the

Socialists even as LDP hawks

Kono, viewed as a dove in

the party, Sunday blasted a

Socialist scheme to trim de-

fence spending as "a per-

formance for election pur-

And last week another

LDP moderate, former

Prime Minister Kiichi

Miyazawa, in a comment

opposition leaders have since

taken to quoting in their cam-

paign, referred to the un-

workability of a right-left

fault," Mr. Miyazawa said.

"It's difficult to form an

alliance between the LDP

"It is not Murayama's

defend them.

longer stint in office.
"We have already

be beld accountable.

major test of voter opinion since Mr. Murayama took office, half of the 252 seats in parliament's upper chamber are up for grabs. The fate of the Murayama

administration bas become almost the sole issue in an election for which all major parties have adopted policies so similar that voters are ex-pected to shun the polls or vote in television celebrities as a protest.

But analysts say the LDP both enjoys the benefits of incumbency without having its leaders held directly accuntable and fears the contentious battle that would successor to Mr. Murayama.

Mr. Watanabe is seen as a possible challenger in a heated election in September for the presidency of the LDP between current party head Yobei Kono, the foreign minister, and Ryutaro Hashimoto, the tough-talking trade

Ironically, it is Mr. Murayama's Socialist deputy who has pushed the hardest to make him take responsibility for his party's electoral

Wataru Kubo, the Socialist general secretary, long in-

U.S. reaffirms comprehensive test ban goal

government.

sisted that the party should and the Socialist Party."

her tears as she stood not far from a eluster of fellow protesters walking around the monument in sandals, robes and flowing garments.

The protesters, who remained peaceful despite occasional shouting matches with other visitors, sang in an attempt to heal what they called the Earth's first "ato-

mic wound."
The sparsely vegetated circle marking the blast site was covered with people snapping photos of historical markers. including a replica of Fat Man, the bomb dropped nn

Koga Taketoshi, a senior director with the Japan Broadcasting Corp., said he was trying to remain impartial while working on a documentary about the bomb's effects on Nagasaki. "I know many penple died. When I see sumething like the Fat Man bomb, it's kind

Larry Luedke of Albuquerque said he believes the decision to use the bomb saved the life of his father, a soldier who was oreparing to ship out to Japan when the United States dropped the bomb on Hiroshima on Aug.

Brent and Buffy Farlie of Albuquerque said they wanted their sons to understand the origins of the nuc-

Sinead O'Connor returns to the music scene

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- After three years of therapy, Irish singer Sinead O'Connor is back on the music scene with a pixie-style haircut and a new outlook on life. O'Connor, 28, is performing this summer with other acts as part of the Lollapalooza 95 Tour. It marks ber first formal U.S. appearance since the then-bald singer was booed at a Bob Dylan tribute concert three years ago after tearing up a photograph of Pope John Paul II on American television. Now sporting short, dark hair, she's singing songs that deal with her struggles as a victim of child abuse. "The thing that saved me was therapy," said O'Connor, who was raised a Roman Catholic. "I went specifically to people who specialise in the treatment of survivors of child abuse. "I was in a bad way as a result of what was going on within my family, so I had to take a few years to recover from that basically," she said of her physical and emotional abuse from her late mother.

Carnivorous pandas belle cuddly image

BELJING (AFP) - The cuddly image of China's giant pandas as gentle, bamboo munching introverts has been shattered by the discovery of a highly carnivorous colony of the endangered animals, a report said Saturday. The 30 pandas which live in the Heizhugou Valley nature reserve in southwest Sichuan province "still inherit the babits of the carnivorous animals of ancient times, the Xinhua News Agency

Jack the Ripper named again

LONDON (AFP) — Jack the Ripper has been identified again, tins time as an Amercan homeopathic doctor named Francis Tumblety, the Daily Telegraph reported. Monday, quoting yet another book on the Victorian serial killer. The book, to be published Aug. 2 and entitled The Lodger, was written by Stewart Evans, a British policeman, and Paul Gainey. the main source is a letter from the head of the police Special Branch, John Littlechild, dated 1913. The letter, never published before. said Tumblety was the main n the bloody murders of four prostitutes in London's East End in 1888, which has fascinated amateur and professional criminologists ever since and led to a host of more or less plausible identifications of the Ripper. The Daily Telegraph said that according to the Littlechild letter Tumblety was arrested shortly after the last murder when his landlord discovered blood on one of his shirts. But he was charged only with sexual offences and freed on bail, whereupon he fled to the United States and was never traced. The murders in London ceased, but similar killings occurred later in Nicaragua and Jamaica.

Female foeticide on the rise in S. Korea

SEOUL (AFP) - "Too many grooms, not enough brides... now, it could be your problem," is the latest slogan scratched on walls all over South Korea, where the gender disparity, spurred by modern science, is becoming serious problem. The Planned Parenthood Federation of Korea (PPFK) recently released the anticipated ratio of marriageaule men and women in 2010, saying it would reach 1.28 to one if the current trend continues. The time-honoured preference for male offspring here has boomeranged back to this country and caused a socially contentious abortion problem among young couples, according to the Korea Insti-tute of Health and Social Affairs (KIHS). In 1983, 107.4 male babies were born for every 100 female babies Ten years later the disparity widened further to 115.6 for every 100, leading to the breakdown of traditional boy-girl pairing in primaryschool class rooms. The cases of illegal ultrasonographs to discern the sex of embryos are estimated to total some 40,000 annually in South Korea, with half resulting in induced abortions. Under the law, doctors who tell a pregnant woman the gender of the foetus face a fine of \$13,000 and three-year imprisonment. They can also lose their licences.

Obasanio gets life, 14 sentenced to death in Nigeria

LAGOS (AFP) - General Shehu Musa Yar'Adua, number two in former President Olusegun Obasanjo's admi-nistration, and 13 other members of the military have been sentenced to death after being convicted of trying to topple Nigeria's military government, press reports said

There was no official con-

A special military court sent General Obasanjo and 10 other civilians and members of the military to prison for life, the independent newspapers This Day, AM News and Vanguard reported, citing sources close to the convicts' families.

Other defendants reportedly received jail sentences of between two and 25

Gen. obasanjo, 60, was the only African military ruler to have relinquished power voluntarily, ending his 1976 to 1979 regime after free civilian elections.

There is no right of appeal over the military tribunal's

Banner headlines in Monday's newspapers were devoted to the reported verdicts. "Coup plotters may be shot this week." AM News

"Appeals pour in for coup convicts." wrote the Van-guard and Tribune. "Northern elite plead for Yar Adua. Obsanjano. said This Day, while the Daily Champion took up the theme with "Pope pleads for Obasanjoo others.

According to AM News, the 14 sentenced to death had been transferred to the Kirikiri maximum security prison in Lagos where "armed soldiers, in combat fatigue. beefed up security at the weekend." The paper went on to say "the executions could take place this week."

On Friday, Defence Ministry spokesman General Fred Chijuka told a press conference that sentencing had taken place for 40 military officials and civilians accused of trying to overthrow General Sant Abacha's military reg-

ime in March. Three other people, being tried in absentia, were also sentenced and warrants issued for their arrest. One of these is former Leiutenant-Colonel Sambo Dasuki. the son of Nigeria's top Islamic official Sultan Ibrahim Dasuki from the northern state of

Sokoto. However, Gen. Chijuka did not reveal the nature of the sentences, which still have to be approved by the country's highest ruling body. the Provisional Ruling Coun-

Brazil arms depot rocked by blast; dozens missing The detonations began ab-

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — In a scene one witness likened to a "war movie," explosions tore through the Brazilian Navy's primary arms depot on an sland 200 metres offshore. Dozens were missing and

Navy officials estimated np to 100 people could have been at the depot near Rio at the time of the explosions, the CBN Radio Network re-TV Globo, quoting the

Navy Ministry; said as many as 40 people could bave been killed. At least 20 people were

sions Snnday evening, also were destroyed, TV Globo "The wounded were hug-

Thirty-seven homes on Bo-queirao Island, the site of the explo-

ging each other and crying," said state Congressman Jose Morais, commodore of the nearby Guanabara Yacht out 5:30 p.m. and lasted 90 minntes, creating a large cloud. They were felt up to 17 kilometres away. Smaller explosions continued bours afterward. Television showed flames

throughout-the 56-hectare-(138-acre) depot, almost five hours after the first explo-The depot contained con-

ventional sea-to-sea Exocet missiles as well as guns, rifles gunpowder and grenades, TV Globo said. A Navy Ministry statement issued late Sunday said, however, that depot - only ammunition and pistols, rifles and cannons.

Some radio reports speculated that a hot-air balloon a popular staple at street parties this time of year could have caused the explosions. The ministry said an official investigation would begin Monday.

1st trial in Tokyo subway gassing ends in a day

TOKYO (R) - The first trial of a member of Japan's Aum doomsday cult at the Tokyo District Court was over in one day Monday with the accused denouncing the cult. The court's judgement is expected in September.

Prosecutors demanded a year in prison with labour for Takayuki Oikawa, a junior member of the Aum Shinri Kyo (Aum Supreme Truth) sect for trespassing and other minor charges. The judge-ment and sentence are scheduled for Sept. 5.

Mr. Oikawa was not linked to the two gas attacks using the deadly nerve agent sarin alleged to have been carried out by top Aum members. The first sarin attack, in June 1994 in the central

Japan resort city of Matsumoto, killed seven residents and harmed 600. In the March 20 Tokyo suhway atracks, 11 people were killed and 5,500 made ill.

Police arrested Mr. Oikawa on Aprilt 5, some two weeks after the Tokyo subway attacks, for illegally parking a car full of parts for automatic weapons at a Tokyo apartment.

Prosecutors accused him of trying to hide the cult's weapons parts at a time when police were conducting massive raids on cult buildings. Police said the cult was trying to mass-produce Russiandesigned Kalashinkov auto-

matic rifles. Mr. Oikawa admitted to part of the charges but denied any knowledge of the

"I first joined the group to

help other people, but it

turned out to be a terrible

religious organisation," Mr. Oikawa, 22, told the court.

"After this trial, I will not rejoin the group. I would like to work in the field of welfare," he said.

It was the first formal criminal court session involving an Aum member to be held at the Tokyo District Court, the scene of an expected showdown hetween Aum guru Shoko Asahara, 40, and state prosecutors in mid-October.

Asahara has been indicted on three counts so far: On murder charges from the March 20 Tokyo suhway attacks, on murder and destruction of a corpse for the strangling of a follower in December 1994, and for illegally ordering the production of the hallucinogen LSD, the truth scrum Thinpental, Amphetamine stimulants and other drugs.
On Sunday, police brought

fresh murder and attempted murder charges against Asahara over the Matsumoto nerve gas attack.

Sunday's police move is in Japanese judicial terminology cailed a "re-arrest" of an accused already in custody and gives investigators 21 days to question a suspect before formal indictment.

More than 30 of bis ton followers face a similar array of charges but six prime suspects in the subway attack are still at large.

Asahara bas denied all

Many of his top followers, however, have acknowledged their roles under police questioning, resulting in a huge amount of affidavits against their guru, according to Japanese media drawing from restricted police brief-

talks

ing at the opening of a decalled on China to soften its stance and peacefully negotiate with Taiwan.

and peaceful cooperation will the two sides be able to unification, Mr. Lien said. Cross-strait relations, nev-

China retaliated by sus-pending high-level talks between the two semi-official bodies set up to conduct negotiations between Taipei

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration.

on the 50th anniversary of the

first atomie explosion, reaf-

firmed its goal of ending nuc-

"We are prepared for the,

possibility that the United States has already conducted its last nuclear test," said

White House science adviser

He addressed a daylong

forum commemorating the "Trinity test" that shook and

lit up the new Mexico desert

before dawn on July 16, 1945

just 21 days before his-

tory's first atomie bombing at

Hiroshima that hastened the

Energy Secretary Hazel R. O'Leary, whose department oversees the U.S. nuclear

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Mr. O'Leary and Mr. Gib-

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agree last spring to indefinite extension of the non-

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Prime Minister Tomiichi

Murayama Monday received

A Cook County medical examiner pushes a

gurney carrying the body nf one of the people

CH1CAGO (AP) — Police

vans filled with the dead kept

rolling up to the morgue as another 56 victims were

added to the grisly toll five

days of extreme heat has

taken on the people of this

city.
The 56 deaths, coming

atop 62 logged in the city

since Wednesday, pushed the

national toll from heat and storms to at least 213, includ-

ing an 80-year-old Pennsylva-

nia man who's been out sea-

ling his tar driveway in 34-degree Celsius (94-degree

Fahrenheit) heat.

a campaign gathering that Mr. Murayama can keep his job even if his party is soundly beaten in Sunday's upper house election.

"It's only an issue within the Socialist Party even if the

party wins only balf of the seats it won previously or only a single-digit number of seats," said Mr. Watanabe. Mr. Watanabe's LDP is the dominant partner in the three-party ruling coalition of

group Sakigake. Japanese political tradition would require Mr. Murayama to resign as Socialist chairman if his party fares badly Sunday, as it is

projected to do in many sur-Bnt Mr. Watanabe and a host of other leaders of the LDP, bitter foes of the Socialists from 1955 until they formed an unlikely coalition last year, say Mr.

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ban treaty... the goal since the Bush administration." Dr. Edward Teller, often Albuquerque. called the father of the hydrogen bomh, told Sunday's gathering at the National Academy of Sciences that in SOTTOW.

retrospect, it might have been a good idea to demonstrate the awesome new weapon high over Tokyo Bay before using it against a city. A demonstration bigh in the sky visible to Emperor Hirohito and 10 million Japanese "might have had the same effect" as the Hiroshima bombing in finally prompting the emperor to intervenc on the divided war

council in favour of surrender, said the 87-year-old Teller, who was active in developing the atomic bomb. The emotional fires ignited by the world's first atomic explosinn still burn hright at the stone monolith perpetual-

ly guarding "ground zero." The sorrow, fear, anger and awe that arrived with the atomic age were reflected Sunday in the faces of people who came to Trinity site to mark the 50th anniversary of the bomb.

ploded here on July 16, 1945, at 5:29:45 a.m. mountain war time. The blast produced a flash of light secn 420 kilometres away, a roar heard 80 kilometres away -and a mushroom cloud that

The first atomie bomb ex-

rose 12,192 metres (40,000 feet).
"You think, how such de-

vastation. It's amazing what they had to do to end the war," said Rob Johnson of Others came in anger and One man splashed a vial of

shouted "you can't wash the blood off. He merely made it The man with the vial and two other protesters who argued with army personnel were escorted off the range, No arrests were made, said

off, another protester

range spokesman Larry Furrow. Some of the record 5,308 visitors made a point of touching the marker at the exact moment when the bomb exploded 50 years ago. A snaking line of cars stretched more than five miles down the single lane road to the remote desert range about 320 kilometres south of Los

Visitors came to get closer to history or to buy commemorative T-shirts. But everywhere were those who could find nothing to smile "I wept. I am a little trou-

Dildar Gartenberg, wearing a green headband bearing the phrase "stop plutonium." The Berkeley, California. woman struggled to rein in

bled. I feel very sad." said

red liquid on the rough stone and mortar marker. As authurities moved to clean it

Nagasaki, Japan.

of an emotional feeling." he said through an interpreter.

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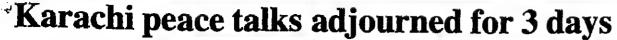
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KARACHI (AFP) - The Pakistan government and the ethnic-based opposition group Mohajir Qaumi Movement (MQM) Monday adjourned for three days their talks aimed at ending violence in Karacbi, a joins statement here said.

The negotiations will resume Thursday in Islamahad where the two sides started the current peace process last

The vaguely-worded statement gave no indication of a breakthrough, saying only that it was decided to examine "grievances" and to refrain from making "provocative" public utterances against each other.

Both sides, the statement said, "strongly condemned" acts of terrorism and violence and agreed to "cooperate" on restoring peace in the troubled city. It said the MQM had de-

manded the return of those of its members who have been recently shifted to the interior of Sindh province from Karachi prison.

The head of the MQM delegation, Ajmal Dehlvi, later told reporters that his side bad submitted a list of 300 party members who have been transferred from the provincial capital Karachi to distant jails in other parts of

The government side at the talks, which lasted three-anda-half hours, was led by Law Minister Nabi Dad Khan.

Some 2,000 people have been killed in political and ethnic violence in Karachi in the past 18 months.

Eight more people died Monday in different parts of While the talks were underway, snipers shot dead

six people in separate inci-

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Kamal Azfar (centre), governor of Sindh Delhvi of ethnic-based Mohajir Qaumi Moveprovince escorts two chief negotiators, N.D. ment (MQM), for talks, in Karachi (AFP Khan (left), federal minister for law and Ajmal

Karachi is the capital.

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The government has put

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call on the MQM to de-

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strike calls, stop targetting non-Mohajir residents and

tral Karachi.

"Restoration and consolidation of peace in Karachi is the top priority," the law

Observers said Mr. Khan's remarks indicated the negotiators might identify some confidence-building mea-sures to help defuse the situa-

The MQM negotiators bave 18 demands concerning the political and social grievances of migrants who settled in big cities of southern Sindh province after the partition of the subcontinent

Nearly 50 years after independence, the Urdu-speaking immigrants from India are still considered Mohajirs, or refugees, in Pakistan's southern region. Although their language is also the national language of Pakistan, Sindhi bullet riddled bodies in cen- is the predominant language in Sind province, of which camps in India.

Meanwhile, the hotel in-The MQM says Mohajirs. dustry in Karachi has been who dominate Karachi, make devastated by the violence, as up 22 million of ethnicallyforeign tourists and business divided Sindh's estimated 50 people steer clear of the trouhled port city.

Almost half of the 1,500 A charismastic community rooms in Karachi's five-star leader, Altaf Hussain, who hotels have remained unnow lives in self exile in occupied for the past few months, Maudood Lodhi, London, launched the party in 1985 to highlight comchairman of Karachi's standplaints of alleged discriminaing committee on hotel and tourism, said Monday. The government holds

Mr. Lodhi, who is also a member of the Federation of Pakisian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCC1), told AFP that hotels had suffered millions of dollars in losses of income.

Some foreign missions have advised their nationals to observe caution while travelling to Karachi but most foreign visitors already prefer to meet elsewhere in Pakistan to conduct business close its alleged training talks, he said.

GROZNY, Russia (R). the issue of status should be Russian negotiators at decided after elections sche-Chechen peace talks were exduled in Chechenya later this pected to meet Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin in

Moscow Monday and discuss prospects for a breakthrough. Russian and Chechen rebel delegates took a three-day break from talks in the regional capital of Grozny Sunday for further consultations with their leaders on the vexing issue of Chechenya's con-

ARANYAPRATHET, Thai-

land (AFP) - Khmer Rouge

guerrillas pulled back from a

key rebel base near the Thai

border Monday abead of some 1,000 Cambodian

advancing government

troops, a Cambodian military

Thai military analysts sug-

gested the guerrillas might be

trying to lure the government

troops into a position where

the Khmer Rouge could cui

off their supply lines and hit

Heavy fighting in the area Monday spilled over into

Thailand when about 100

Phnom Penh government sol-

dies who had crossed the

border exchanged fire with

That forces before being

pushed back into Cambodia,

The government assault on

the Khmer Rouge base at

Klar Ngap moved within one

kilometre of the Thai border

before dusk, with heavy artil-

source in Poipet said.

them from the rear.

Thai officials said.

stitutional status. The status issue lies at the heart of the seven-month-old conflict in the north Caucasus territory in which thousands of people have been killed since Russian troops were sent in to quash a drive for

independence. The Chechens, who unilaterally declared independence from the Russian Federation in 1991, want the declaration recognised by the Russian side. Moscow says

problem.

state affairs.

would be discharged.

Service said in a statement.

The peace talks, at the building of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation

Cambodia rebels pull back

lery, mortar, multiple-rocket,

That border forces beefed

up security and patrols as the

two Cambodian sides faced

off at dusk at the Khlong

Namsai canal, a natural Thai-

helicopter gunships were

seen flying at high altitude over Klar Ngap late Monday

to provide support for gorund

They engaged in a 20-minute firefight with Khmer Rogue anti-aircraft guns be-

fore flying back to the gov-

ernment artillery hase at

Nimitr, Thai border officials

The firefight lasted about

20 minutes before the chop-

pers flew back to the govern-

ment artillery hase at Nimitr,

The government assault

began at dawn against Klar Ngap, where the rebels'

troops.

they said.

Two Russian-made MI-8

Cambodian border barrier.

grenade and submachine gun

from key base; troops advance

in Europe (OSCE), have so far produced a shaky ceasefire and a disengagement plan which would come into force once an overall settlement had been agreed. The truce came under fresh

pressure overnight.

ITAR-TASS news agency quoted Lieutenant-General Anatoly Shirikov, commander of the Russian operation in Chechenya, as saying Moscow's forces had come under fire 12 times overnight. Three Russian servicemen were wounded, he said.

In a separate report, TASS said there had been casualties among Russian servicemen when a supply convoy was ambushed near Germenchuk, about 15 kilometres southeast of Grozny, Mon-

365th Division is based, Col-

sukhum, commander of the

Aranyaprathet Task Force,

said. Klar Ngap controls the

approach to the Kbmer

Rouge stronghold at Phnom

No casualties were im-

Early Sunday, eight

Cambodian soldiers were kil-

led and 11 were wounded

when their truck was

amhushed by a platoon of

Khmer Rouge guerrillas on Route 5 near Phum Sala

Kahom, 10 kilometres west

Hospital officials in Cam-

bodia's Mongkol Borei dis-

trict said at least 100 Phnom

Penh government soldiers

had been hospitalised since

July 4, mainly for wounds

from landmines or bamboo

spike traps in the Klar Ngap

The wounded soldiers were

mediately available from the

onel Wanchai

fighting.

of Sisophon.

region.

Thong-

Gunfire echoed tbrough Grozny during the night, particularly in the Leninsky and Zavodsky districts, and tracer bullets arched overhead, TASS said.

But the city was calm by mid-morning. Interfax News Agency said

Mr. Chemomyrdin, who set up the latest round of peace talks when he was bargaining with Chechen rebels during a hostage-seizure in southern Russia last month, would meet the Russian delegation in Moscow Monday,

Chechen delegate Aslan Maskhadov, who is the rebels' chief military commander and has taken part in the peace talks, said Sunday that the two sides had to consult with their leaders because "issues of great principle" had to be tackled.

Russians report to Moscow on Chechen peace talks The Chechens were expected to consult with the separatist leadership under

Dzhokhar Dudayev, who de-

clared Chechenya's inde-

pendence in 1991 and has a

base in the southern moun-

Cross-run government hos-

pital, 10 kilometres south of

Sisophon in Banteay Mean-

Meanwhile areas around

Cambodia's main tourist

attraction, the 12tb-century

temple complex of Angkor

Wat, have been totally

cleared of mines and unex-

ploded ordnance, the govern-

ment news service reported

COFRAS, a French de-

mining organisation which

has been clearing around the

Angkor Wat and Angkor

Thom temples for the last

two years, has now begun

demining work near the 10th-

century temple of Banteay

A COFRAS official said

the team had found and de-

fused 42 band grenades, four

artillery shells, 11 mortar

shells and a large quantity of

chey province.

Monday.

ammunition.

The peace talks were further complicated by the chief Chechen negotiator, Usman

Imayev, falling sick. When talks broke up Sunday, chief Russian negotiator Vvacheslav Mikbailov said 'certain difficulties" had arisen and be accused the Chechens of retreating on a previous agreement.

'What we discussed today had previously been agreed, but today there was the start of a retreat from the previously agreed formula. TASS quoted him as saying.

But Mr. Mikhailov, who is Russia's nationalities minister, added that the talks had not broken down, TASS said,

EU states protest against French nuclear tests

BRUSSELS (R) — Seven European Union countries protested in private session Monday against France's insistence on resuming nuclear testing, an EU diplomat said;

Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Austria, Lux embourg and the Netherlands all expressed their diswith Paris' decision at an EU foreign ministers meeting, the diplomat said.
The diplomat said France

had rejected the criticism and said last week's protests at the Enropean Parliament when deputies tried to shout down French President Jacques Chirac was the worst possible way of trying to in-

fluence Frencb policy. Swedish Foreign Minister Lena Hjelm-Wallen appealed to French Foreign Minister Herve De Charette to reconsider the decision to resume nuclear weapons testing on the South Pacific. atoll of

In a statement made available to Reuters she called the French decision "utterly re-grettable" and said the growing criticism of the French decision was harming EU unity and the credibility of its foreign and security policy

Following weeks of international protest over the French president's decision to conduct nuclear testing, one ex-minister says the French people should have

the last word. Jack Lang, a Socialist and former culture minister, suggested Sunday that a vote could give conservative President Jacques Chirac a way

out of the controversy. "One of the best ways to come to a decision without dishonoring himself or the country is to call on the French people," be told TF-1

television. Mr. Lang said resuming

take and a contradiction to peace" but that there was 'still time to reverse such a decision.'

There is a lot of-talk about a referendum consu ing the citizens and organising a serious debate in France for or against nuclear testing. On this basis, we can maintests," he said.

Mr. Lang also proposed setting up with France's initiative," an "international conference on nuclear stabil-

Mr. Lang served under President Francois Mitterrand, who called a moratorium on nuclear weapons test hlasts in 1992. Mr. Chirac and military officials say France needs to stage eight more underground tests in French Polynesia beginning in September to ensure the reliability of France's nuclear

generally been supportive of France's nuclear policy, but Mr. Chirac's test plans have sparked widespread protest in other countries. Former French-Prime

Minister Michel Rocard said in an interview with Television New Zealand Monday that President Chirac should reverse his decision to resume nuclear testing.

"The good solution would be for him to stop the test programme," Mr. Rocard said during an interview on a weekly current affairs programme conducted by TVNZ presenter lan Fraser.

Mr. Rocard, who visited New Zealand in 1991 when he was prime minister and apologised for French sabotage of the Greenpeace ship the Rainbow Warrior, said he would have advised against the resumption of nuclear

The French public has nuclear testing was "a mis-Ghali warns Burundi it risks civil war

BUJUMBURA (R) - U.N.Secretary-General Boutros Ghali has bluntly warned Burundi's feuding factions that their central African country risks civil war unless they negotiated with each

On the final leg of an African tour overshadowed by figthing in Bosnia, the .N. chief was scheduled to address a joint session of Burundi's parliament to try to bridge the gaping rift between the Tutsi minority and

Hutu majority. After arriving in Bujumhura from Angola Sunday, Dr. Gbali met parliamenta-rians from the Hutudominated FRODEBU party and Tutsi-dominated UP-RONA opposition party for 90 minutes in the evening.

'The secretary-general's language was blunt enough to strip wallpaper," said an observer who attended the closed door talks. 'After listening to each

side blaming the other for all of Burundi's problems, Dr. Ghali indicated angrily that it was up to both sides to sort their problems out," he told

"He said this was an educated and sophisticated country where everyone spoke the same language and could be at the negotiating table together and shouldn't follow the example of Beirut which tore itself apart for 15 years." he added.

Seven parties from the opposition said Saturday they would not attend inter-party peace talks in Ethiopia's capital called by Organisation of African Unity (OAU)

They said they should take



Ghali (left) is greeted by Burundi Prime Minister Antoine Nduwayo at Bujumbura Airport. Dr. Ghali arrived here on an 18-hour visit just hours after at least seven people were

United Nations Secretary General Boutros killed and six wounded in renewed ethnic violence. Burundi is the fourth country of his African tour after Rwanda, Angola and Zaire (AFP photo)

ing party, has said it would go to Addis Ababa.

Dr. Ghali also discussed ending ethnic bloodletting in Burundi with President Svlvestre Ntibantunganya, a Hutu, Prime Minister Antoine Ndnwayo, leaders of the 12-party coalition government and Pierre Buyoya, a former Tutsi military dicta-

An estimated 50,000 people were butchered in the two months after the assassination of Burundi's first freelyelected Hutu president in October 1993. Tens of thousands were killed in 1994 and this year.

Dr. Ghali met the high command of the Tutsidominated military Monday before addressing parlia-

Gunfire and one hand gre-

nade blast was heard in the

centre of the Burundian

capital overnight - relative

fierce ethnic conflict in the last three months. Tens of thousands of Hutu

civilians fled a Bujumhura suburb Saturday after a night of clashes between troops and Hutu guerrillas and seven people were killed in an amhush outside the city. Before Bujumbura, Dr. Ghali visited Zairean President Mobutu Sese Seko's jungle palace in Gbadolite to discuss nearly two million Rwandan and Burundian re-

Burundi. More than a million Hutu refugees are in Zaire, which is already being used as a base by Hutu guerrillas to launch attacks into Burundi. Aid officials fear an invasion of Rwanda is planned by Rwandan Hutu troops driven

fugees in Zaire, Tanzania and

into exile last year. A spokeswoman for the secretary-general said Mr. Mobutu agreed Sunday to caim compared with bouts of cooperate with an international tribunal set up to bring to justice the alleged masterminds of Rwanda's genocide last year.

She hinted Zaire had agreed to the extradition of the accused and said Mr. Mohutu also agreed 10 cooperate with an inquiry into the killing of Rwanda's and Burundi's presidents in a downed plane in April last vear which triggered the ethnic slaughter. Meanwhile Dr. Ghali has

postponed a visit to Turkey set for this week because of the crisis in Bosnia, the Turkish Foreign Ministry said Monday.

Dr. Ghali was due to visit Turkey after his current Afri-Cârt tour. Dr. Ghali had planned a

four-day visit to Turkey beginning Tuesday. It has been put off until a further unspecified, date, Foreign Ministry spokesman Nurettin Nurkan told a news briefing.

Yeltsin works on but doctors keep him in hospital MOSCOW (R) - Russia's 11 with an ischaemic heart pital and only one photo- Russia at talks with NATO ailing President Boris Yeltsin condition — a blood supply graph of him has been issued and the European Union in

worked from bospital Monday and doctors said he would have to remain there for the time being to complete treatment for a heart A statement by Mr. Yeltsin's press service said he was

working almost as usual on the road to recovery. But it did not issue a health report on the 64-year-old Kremlin chief almost a week after he was admitted to hos-

pital and did not say when he long-term health. "Specialists say the patient must carry on the sebeduled treatment in hospital, where he has all he needs for working," the Presidential Press

A spokesman at the Pres-The aide, Viktor Ilyushin, idential Press Service told Reuters: "The president is said Mr. Yeltsin had cancelled all engagements until July working on a schedule which is close to his normal work schedule when he is in his

Mr. Yeltsin was admitted to a Moscow hospital on July Yeltsin since he entered hos-

In a policy of greater openness about the president's state of health, the Kremlin has issued regular statements describing how Mr. Yeltsin is working from his room in Moscow's Central Clinic-Hospital and saying he is on

His wife, Naina, said he looked fine when she visited bim Friday and attacked media speculation over his

But Mr. Yeltsin's top aide made clear last week that Mr. Yeltsin was exhausted after four years as president and has been under stress during a series of political crises in recent weeks.

been allowed to film Mr.

24 and that he was likely to stay in hospital all this week. No television cameras bave since he was admitted.

But in an indication of concern that Mr. Yeltsin must not suffer any stress, a meeting scheduled for Tuesday with Ivan Rybkin, the chairman of the State Duma lower house of parliament, was cancelled Monday on doctors' orders.

The meeting in bospital is out of the question, the presi-dent should recover fully, and there is no need to trou-ble him," Mr. Rybkin was quoted as saying by Interfax News Agency.

Duties Mr. Yeltsin did carry out Monday included sending messages to the organisers of the Moscow International Film Festival, opening later in the day, and to conference on European security, his press service said.

He also examined several other documents, gave in-structions to Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin and empowered Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev to represent Brussels Monday and Tues-

Mr. Yeltsin became president in 1991 and faces reelection in June 1996.

He has recently appeared tired, looked puffy-eyed and walked stiffly in public, causing speculation about his health and whether he plans to seek a second five-year

Mr. Ilyushin said one of the biggest strains has been the seven-month-old military campaign to crush the breakaway Chechen region's independence bid.

Mr. Yeltsin has faced barsb criticism since he sent troops into the north Caucasus region, thousands of people have been killed.

Chief Russian negotiator Vyacheslav Mikhailov up-dated Mr. Chernomyrdin on the talks Monday. The talks were suspended for three days Sunday after the chief Chechen delegate fell ill.

Burma's Suu Kyi meets diplomats in Rangoon

mese opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi slowly widened her circle of contacts Monday, lunching at the French embassy and meeting other foreign diplomats at her lakeside home.

A French official said she spent "quite some time" at he embassy and had a "general session" with Ambassador Bernard Pottier. But he detravel to Oslo to receive the clined to give any details of Nobel Peace Prize she was their talks. It was only her fourth foray

under house arrest for nearly six years until ber release July 10. Workmen were meanwhile installing telephone lines to the residence. despite several hours of rain ranging from a heavy down-Throughout the day, cars bearing diplomatic license plates and flying national

outside the walled compound

where she bad been confined

flags pulled up at the family

home where passengers were

discharged for short meetings with Aung San Suu Kyi. Earlier, she met again with colleagues from the National League for Democraev (NLD), which she believed found in 1988, including for the first time the NLD's delework for democracy. gates to the ongoing national

constitution. An aide confirmed Monday that she would attend a government ceremony Wednesday marking the assassination of her father. independence bero Aung

convention to prepare a new

RANGOON (AFP) — Burmese opposition leader Aung
San, 48 years ago, but stressed she would keep it low-key to avoid incidents. She would attend the

wreath-laying ceremony in the morning — her first pub-be appearance — hut would return home immediately afterward, the aide indicated. She met Saturday with the ambassador of Norway and accepted an invitation to

awarded in 1991, but said she did not intend to leave Burma for the time being. Some 200 Burmese, most of them huddled under umbrellas, maintained a vigil outside her home Monday

pour to a steady drizzle. A dozen vendors had taken up semi-permanent residence in the road, selling fresh fruit, dried food and cigarettes to the crowd.

The 50-year-old dissident made another trip to the gate barring the driveway to her bome to address bystanders. Sheltered under a large green and white golf umbrella, she again pledged to continue to

The four-minute speech was sbort, but the crowd cheered and clapped loudly until she asked them to disperse. When they turned to go, they chanted "Long Live Aung San Suu Kyi." Security remained light,

uniform lounging near the crowd, taking down license. plate numbers of visitors and occasionally photographing people standing outside the

The opposition leader bas ventured outside ber home only four times since her release, to have her eyesight checked, to take a call from ber busband in England at the British emhassy, for lunch at a relative's nearby home and to the French embassy.

Mrs. Snu Kyi was detained six years ago because of ber harsh attacks on the military junta that seized power in September 1988, crushing a nationwide pro-democracy movement.

Perhaps because she was the daughter of Aung San gunned down along with eight others by men in uniform as they met on July 19, 1947, to plan Burma's independence from Britain — she was not jailed but was confined to ber home. In a separate development

a report in Bangkok said

Monday that Khun Sa may be forced to step down as seifproclaimed leader of the Shan minority in northeastern Burma because of his allies' discomfort over his alleged drug ties.

Officials from his Sban ethnic group wanted to replace the warlord, who declared himself president of Sban state in December 1993. because his alleged drug connections were harming their independence drive, the Bangkok Post said.

The officials said that U.S. pressure on Khun Sa over the allegations had resulted in a 'gradual revolt strategy' under which the warlord's political and military posts would be filled by other members of the Shan minor-

The United States has offered a \$200,000 reward for the arrest of Khun Sa, whose Maung Tai Army (MTA) controls a large part of the opium-growing Shan state and is allegedly financed by revenue from the drug trade.

The Sban bave heen pushing for greater autonomy from Rangoon.

Meanwhile, a Burmese dissident group said in Bangkok that about 1,000 MTA troops had broken away from Khun Sa to sign a ceasefire agreement with the Burmese gov-

The All Burma Students Democratic Front said in a statement that the breakaway troops would sign the agreement, probably Tuesday, that would give them control of areas in Shan state.

The report, which could not be independently confirmed, said the reason for the reported split was not yet

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Shame on sideline

THERE IS a limit to how much shame the international community can live with as a result of sitting idly by while a massacre of enormous proportions is being carried ont against the Bosnian people --- or is there?

It seems that the world community, especially the Western powers which can call the shots in the Balkans, is refusing to admit that shame. They are rather hiding behind pretexts that can do nothing to check the Serbs' arrogance and aggression as they go about not only murdering innocent civilians but making a mockery of the whole world, of human ethics and of the principles of civility that the West never stops boasting of.

The Serbian attacks on civilians in areas declared safe havens hy the United Nations have disastrous consequences. Bnt the situation smacks of even more disgust as one watches the impotence with which the international community is reacting to the mas-

The Bosnian conflict has been going on for years now. Many an attempt by the West to convince the Serbs to silence their guns and talk peace with the Bosnians have failed. The message in that is clear: The Serbs see no reason to end the war against the Bosnians as long as they believe that they can invade more Bosnian territory and achieve more ethnic cleansing with no one to stop them. The Bosnians are unable to defend themselves as the United Nations continues to suffocate their fighting abilities with the embargo on arms imports. The United States, with no direct interest involved, is reluctant to commit troops in the Balkans out of fear that American blood might be shed in the process. The U.S. says the tragedy is closer to Europe than it is to its lands across the Atlantic. That is true. The war is in the heart of Europe. And Europe will not allow outside powers to intervene in a conflict in its own backyard. But Europe is so divided, so undetermined and so unwilling to take the only action possible to remove the shame in which the Bosnian war has engulfed it. The Serbs are counting on force to achieve their goals in Bosnia. Nothing hut real deterrence can halt their aggression.

The world can no longer shrink its responsihility in Bosnia-Herzegovina. If it is not willing to come to the aid of the Bosnians, it must at least allow them to defend themselves. That it can do by lifting the embargo, and if the Bosnian people lose the war after that, at least they would have been allowed the right to fight for their lives, for their lands and for their future.

ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

AL DUSTOUR daily welcomed the success of a visit to Saudi Arabia by the foreign minister, calling it a step forward towards restoring the golden era of inter-Arab solidarity. Coming after five years of strained relations, the visit is bound to pave the way for the restoration of normal ties between the two neighbouring Arab states and brotherly cooperation in pan-Arab affairs, said the daily. Referring to the statements of the foreign ministers of the two countries after the conclusion of the visit, the paper said they reflected the genuine feelings on the two sides, which are determined to overcome all obstacles that impeded normal relations in the years that followed the Gulf crisis. Having achieved this step, said the daily, the two countries now stand at the threshold of a new phase of fruitful relations which the Arab people of the two countries hope will be marked with brotherly cooperation

A WRITER in Al Ra'i daily Monday accused the United Nations of failing to live up to expectations in the ongoing conflict in former Yugoslavia and to provide protection to the defenceless population in the face of Serbian aggression. Tareq Masarweh said that every night people watch on television scenes of misery and the victims of the aggression and hear statements by U.N. officials about plans to be taken to deal with the situation but nothing is being done in that direction. Not only is the United Nations facing humiliation at the hands of the Serbs but rather the Arab and Islamic countries are to blame for the ordeal of the Muslim people of Bosnia. The situation in Bosnia would not have deteriorating to such a degree had tthe Arab Muslim nations been in a stronger and united position within the world community and had they embarked on practical steps to provide all kinds of aids to the Bosnian civilian population, said the writer. He said the United Nations proved to be determined and firm in the face of Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and has maintained a crippling embargo on the Iraqi people since 1990 but has failed to take any meaningful action to protect the victims of the attacks by Serbian forces.

Cafe's gouge

By Dr. Yusuf Mansur ON JULY 9. Al Ra'i newspaper published an article stating the coffee prices have fallen internationally and will continue to fall because of competition among overseas suppliers. However, the price of coffee here at home will not fall. Why? According to an interview with the owner of one of the four domestic companies that control the supply of coffee in Jordan, coffee that is being sold in the local market was purchased two months ago at old prices. Therefore, the four domestic suppliers will not lower coffee prices in order not to lose money. At first glance this justification makes sense. But wait a

Almost a year ago coffee bean prices in Jordan were increased because of, I believe, a harvest freeze in Brazil which decreased the supply of coffee and increased its price worldwide. Jordanian suppliers did not give us, the consumers, a two month grace period: Coffee prices shot up immediately. They did not mention the shipping argument to the then complaining consumer. However. now that they have presented us with the "ol' ship and wait argument" we believe that they made a fortune — they gouged us! But wait again, before we start pointing fingers and denouncing our brethren, let's examine some of the salient features of the case.

 Coffee is usually traded in commodity markets

where traders sometimes use a tool called a futures contract. This contract is a legally binding commitment to deliver or take delivery of a given quantity and quality of a commodity (coffee) at a future date at an agreed upon price. Coffee suppliers who want to protect themselves from market fluctuations can buy a futures contract if they fear unfavourable prices in the future. This type of hedging is used by most moderately sophisticated coffee traders (futures contracts have been around since 1848). Do our four suppliers know of this tool? I honestly hate to think that our companies are not that sophisticated because that means we have to pay the price of their folly. If, on the other hand, they are sophisticated and have reduced their market exposure then they are not really

hurting, but we are. The Ministry of Supply believes in floating coffee prices. In other words, coffee prices are to be determined by the market forces of supply and demand. The ministry does not involve itself in coffee matters. which is a sound policy if the market is competitive.

The number of coffee

suppliers is four (according to the Al Ra't article) hardly representative of a competitive market structure. Usually, a market with so few sellers is viewed cautiously by regulatory agencies throughout the world. This market structure is called oligopolistic and normally exhibits a fair degree of market (monopo-

ly) power.

•If the four coffee suppliers decide not to compere with each other and behave instead as a single seller by collectively setting prices and quantities, the sellers are acting collusively and their organisation is a cartel. This market form approaches pure monopoly and the usual law of supply is no longer applicable.

· For the cartel to succeed in its quest for market control, the product it sells, in this case coffee, must be viewed by the consumer as a necessity, otherwise the consumer may refuse to pay the high price set up by the cartel and may switch to another product, such as tea. This condition was the cornerstone of OPEC's market control. Coffee is Jordan's

national drink and is viewed by most Jordanians as a necessity. Jordanian coffee companies stand to gain significantly by keeping the prices high. The consumer, however, will continue to pay the high prices and the quantities consumed will not decrease in proportion to the price hike.

 Cartels are illegal under the Sherman and Clayton Anti-Trust Acts in the U.S., the British Merger Laws, and are forbidden in most developed countries. Why? Collusive behaviour is anticompetitive and deprives the consumer of the considerable gains that arise from competition (greater

· As a result of aggressive price competition, coffee companies worldwide have lowered their prices. so a valid question is "Why can't Jordanian companics follow suit?" May be because they are not competing with each other. If all four firms have a history of price setting (charging similar or identical prices) then the price of coffee in Jordan is not being floated but being fixed by undermining the forces of competition and restricting the flow of commerce to the detriment of the Jordanian consumer. The argument for keeping the regulatory body outside the coffee market is thereby weakened and the ministry may be well within its rights to interfere and force a price reduction that is prop-

quantities at lower prices)

In light of the above, - there is no justifiable reason for coffee prices to remain high;

ortional to the price adjust-

ment of the international

- if one firm reduces its price then we have evidence of non-cartel behaviour at home

- in the absence of a regulatory body and consumer advocacy groups, the consumer can choose to make the switch from coffee to tea.

After all, Cafe' Gouge' leaves a bitter aftertaste.

The writer is professor of economics at Mu'ta University. He contributed the above article to the Jordan



50 years after, world is ready to ban tests — or is it?

By Charles J. Hanley The Associated Press

WEEKS BEFORE they light the fuse in the far Pacific, the French have set off an explosion of global protest with their plan to resume nuclear weapons testing.

But the nuclear future may depend less on what happens on a Polynesian island in September than on the outcome of a secretive meeting last week at a California resort, where leading physicists gathered to try to help a wavering U.S. government take a stand on a global test

These latest developments - a decision in France, indecision in America - have suddenly cast a shadow of doubt over international negotiations to conclude a comprehensive test ban treaty by late 1996.

The Polish chairman of those talks in Geneva sounds

worried. "It's possible." Ludwik

Dembinski said of reaching the goal. "But it will be very

Fifty years after the first atomic test explosion in New Mexico, on July 16, 1945, the nuclear powers have committed themselves to a 1996 target for banning the tests that over the years helped them build ever more compact, durable and finely tuned weapons.

But after 2,000-plus explosions in the Nevada desert. the central Asian steppes and the Pacific, some want the treaty to allow still more such "activities" — tests by

another name. Four declared nuclear powers - the United States. Russia. Britain and France have observed a test moratorium since 1992. Last month, however, the French announced they would stage eight underground explosions at their Mururoa Atoli site

between September and next Condemnation came

quickly. Japan, New Zealand and other Pacific govern-ments protested bitterly. Firebombers destroyed a French consulate in Australia. Seaborne Greenpeace activists tried to invade

The French say they need the tests to check the safety and reliability of their arsenal and to collect data, before a test ban, for later weapons work via computer simulation. But arms control advocates say Paris mostly wants to use the tests to complete

the design of a new warhead. The U.S. government reaffirmed its adherence to the moratorium. But as attention focused on France, things' were happening in Washing-

ton, too. The United States had been expected to favour a test ban loophole to allow elementary weapons work via miniature nuclear blasts underground, with explosive yields equivalent to no more than four pounds of TNT. In late June. however, it emerged that the Pentagon was seeking a much higher "threshold" — reportedly 500 tonnes, equivalent to the power of 300 Oklahoma city

In meetings last week. Clinton administration officials were trying to settle the U.S. policy dispute. None spoke publicly about the pending decision, but the heat clearly was on.

There's a lot of pressure within the administration to go to a high threshold of several hundred tonnes." said one informed official. The heat was felt all the way to Geneva.

"Several hundred tonnes. in my personal view, is cer-tainly not acceptable." Mr. Dembinski said in a telcphone interview.

India's delegate to the 38-

nation talks was more direct in rejecting the idea of any tests at all.

A test ban treaty should mean "complete cessation of nuclear tests by all states in all environments and for all time," Satish Chandra.
speaking for the Third World bloc, declared at one Geneva

India is key: If it refuses to sign a treaty, its undeclared nuclear arms programme would remain beyond international controls.

The Clinton administration, split between the military and other U.S. agencies favouring a near-zero threshold, turned for help to the "jasons," a select group of independent scientists on call to advise the govern-

This panel of "wise mcn." first organised in 1958, is named after an inventive hero of Greek myth.

A knowledgable source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said a half-dozen jasons — nuclear physicists — met in la jolla, California, last week with government specialists to review the threshold question.

Their discussions ranged across an arcane realm where milliseconds make the difference between small "bangs" and unimaginable explosions. In a two-stage thermonuclear bomb, a sphere of non-

nuclear explosives is ignited and "implodes." compressing an inner plutonium or uranium core to critical mass. Neutrons are then fired ut the core, setting off an atomsplitting chain reaction. That fission explosion in turn compresses a second component, of light atoms, which fuse and give off heat in an even greater fusion explosion.

Minimal "four-pound" experiments are fission reactions aborted in their first moments. They are useful in weapon safety work -- to determine, for example, that accidental ignition of the conventional explosives at only point on the sphere produces just a small fission yield.

But Christopher E. Paine

of the Natural Resources De-fence Council, a Washingtonbased anti-nuclear group, says even mini-yield experiments can aid weapon development. Monitoring the implosion

and core compression, for example, can tell designers the optimum instant for firing neutrons at the fissionable core, Mr. Paine said.

By stepping up to yields of several hundred tonnes, the "experiments" open many more possibilities for desig-ners, he said.

For one thing, weapons scientists could monitor the complete fission stage and modify designs as a result. For another, plutonium cores manufactured through a new technology could be checked

A "zero yield" treaty would block the plans of U.S., French and other scientists for new bomb types: warheads for earthpenetrating weapons, for ex-ample, and variable-yield warheads. The ultimate recommenda-

tion from La Jolla may have been foreshadowed in an unclussified report last year by jasons who advised against even the smallest-yield tests under a treaty. The safety and reliability of existing weapons can be ensured by non-nuclear tests for the foresecable future, it said. The closed-door dehates

on the two coasts are of special interest in Moscow, Some in the Russian military complex are looking for reasons to resume testing. said Vladimir Kozin, an arms control specialist at the Russian Foreign Ministry. He said he fears the world will fall back into old habits.

"We are on the verge of reviving the arms race.

Taiwan's diplomacy, is it worth it?

By James Kynge Reuter

TAIPEI — For an indication of how much Taiwan cares about its status on the world stage, consider the question of the "million dollar comma.

Taipei's major objection to paying what is expected to be millions of U.S. dollars into a fund at the Asian Development Bank (ADB) is that it does not like the name by which the bank knows it, a central-bank

The ADB currently calls "Taipei, China", a name Taiwan feels relegates it to the status of a tributary part of China. If, however, the ADB was willing to excise the comma and call it "Taipei China", then donations may start to flow, said the central-bank official. who asked not to be named.

"We would probably be willing to compromise on 'Taipei China' without the comma," said the official, who explained that "Taipei China" implies a sense of

separateness from Beijing. The question of the ADB comma reveals how far this major economic power is prepared to go to combat efforts by archrival China to downgrade its status and keep it a diplomatic outcast in the global village.

But some academics and other analysts in Taiwan are starting to wonder wbether Taiwan's efforts to gain more international recognition, a policy known as "pragmatic diplomacy," may be costing far more than it achieves.

"We should review our pragmatic diplomacy. In its current form it is not very cost effective," said I Yuan, a research fellow at the Institute of International Relations at the National Chengchi University.

He and other analysts said a landmark trip by President Lee Teng-Hui to the United States in June, hailed then as Taiwan's biggest diplomatic breakthrough in more than a decade, might have been

counterproductive.
Mr. Lee's trip back to his alma-mater Cornell university was the first U.S. visit by a Taiwan president, but shrill protests from China have severely strained

relations. Beijing postponed inde-finitely crucial talks with Taipei scheduled for July. meaning the key issue of Taiwan's relations with Hong Kong after the British colony returns to Chinese rule in 1997 is not even

under negotiation. As the clock ticks toward 1997, many in Taiwan are becomming acutely aware of how much their future hinges on a territory that is their biggest export market and the conduit for most of their investments in the vas China market.

This is the time when we should be building bridges with the right people in China, not destroying them," Mr. Yuan said.

·China has viewed Taiwan as a rebel province since the end of a civil war in 1949 and tries to block its international contacts as a way to prevent it becoming more independent.

But Taiwan, recognised by only 30 countries, bas been prepared to pay to expand the international recognition it sees as insurance against being swallowed ignominiously by its giant neighbour.

In June it offered to donate \$1 billion for developing nations if it was given mem-bership in the United Na-

Much media jubilation last week greeted the establishment of official ties with Gambia, a small West African nation dependent on groundnuts.

"What is the government doing? How on earth can Gambia help us?" asked a ruling Nationalist Party member of parliament who "did not want to be named.

LETTERS

Sanity's final stand

To the Editor:

THE ON switch on TV happens to be one of the most dangerous buttons found in any household. We have all been warned as children not to play with loaded guns, but my real astonishment is wby no one warned us about a plugged TV. Surely the TV is more dangerous, the only difference I can see is that a gun is a more

humane way to go.

As with handling a gun with respect and keep his finger off the trigger unless he means business, the same respect should be given to the TV and one should never take the decision to press that ON switch lightly. Always remember a button's touch away is a world waiting to burden you with its misery. However, if you are one of those adventurous souls that like living on the edge there are some

on daily basis by switching on your TV set:

J- When watching the news practice breathing exercises to calm yourself, keep reminding yourself that this is not real and it is just a sick joke played by the TV network.

2. If the above doesn't work try convincing yourself that it is not the news but a real bad B horror movie. All the people are actors and they are lying there with bullets in their head for the sole benefit of the camera. Once the camera is switched off, all would rise, go home and carry what would pass as a normal life in the

90's.

3- If the above methods are ineffective in protecting your sanity then come to terms with what you are hearing and seeing on the news gradually. Tell yourself that these people are different from you, that they must have been leading a wicked life to deserve all this misery, that nothing in the universe is random and all is part of a bigger scheme. Always repeat the idea that this could never ever happen to you.

TV manufacturers bave been subliminally deceiving us into believing that it is safe to reach out and press that On button by believing that it is safe to reach out and press that On button by painting it green. Reliable surveys have shown that if the On button was painted red 30 per cent less viewers would find the courage to press it. Older TVs had silver buttons, that's because there was much less disturbing news than today. A common debate is whether there was actually the same amount of bloodshed as today but TV programmers had the common sense commonly label as news has gone downhill, the change to the worse is noticeable on yearly basis. The items each year become more shocking but less disturbing because we are getting used to green button any day of the week brings the raw world into your the dark side of humanity and its children, rotting corpses from around the globe.

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first 'safe haven' to go, means ethnic cleansing for the town's 42,000 people, writes Ian Traynor THE FALL OF Srebrenica. the first collapse of a U.N. 'safe area" in Bosnia, is a disaster first and foremost

for the victims, for the tens of thousands of refugees crammed into the small former silver-mining town in the eastern hills. Now, for the second time in this wretched war, the prospect of ethnic cleansing is staring them in the face. The overwhelming majority of the estimated 42,000 in a iown that was home to a

tenth of that before the war

were victims of the Serb

pogroms of 1992. For the beleaguered U.N. mission in Bosnia, the failure to safeguard Srebrenica despite calling in NATO air power will raise further protests about the futility of of the Bosnian operation and increase the clamour for a U.N. withdrawal from Bosnia.

There was little sense of surprise at U.N. headquarters in Zagreb that Srebrenica should fall.

"All three enclaves (Srebrenica, Zepa nearby, and Gorazde to the south) are militarily indefensible. said one officer.

"The Dutch battalion there was not equipped. "We're not in a position to fight a desperate rearguard action and we're not fighting the Bosnians' war for

Asked whether the repeated U.N. warnings to the Serbs in the past few days and the failure of NATO air raids to deter the Serbs suggested that U.N. policy was bankrupt, he replied that the strikes were "in close air support" for the Dutch troops in Srebrenicaand no Dutch were killed

by the Serbs. helps to solve one of the most acute problems for the U.N.: How to extract the 637 Dutch and the 284 British from the eastern enclaves and get them out of harm's way as part of the

withdrawal plans. The chorus of demands for the U.N. to quit is getting louder, particularly among U.S. politicians and opinion formers. It is generally agreed that the next month will be critical to the U.N.'s remaining in the Balkans, since a decision to forego another Sarajevo winter needs 10 be taken in

That timing coincides with the scheduled arrival in full of the new and wellarmed Reaction Force, mainly British and French troops, up to 12,000-strong. that widens General Rupert Smith's options in prosecuting his mandate.

It may be arriving only to leave. A bitter irony is that the new units will bring the size of U.N. force to around 35,000 men, backed by helicopter gunships, advanced weapons, and with NATO air power behind it - the kind of force that might have made a difference two

or three years ago. Even more bitter, it may presage the dispatch of a NATO expeditionary force of up to 60,000 to give the Serbs a bloody nose by way of farewell. The Serbs moved on Srebrenica, and : may now move on Zepa, to pre-empt the arrival of the reaction force.

It now looks as though the U.N. is pulling out of Srebrenica. But what happens if the U.N. and its political masters do decide to throw in the towel and pull out of Bosnia too?

The apocalyptic school of punditry predicts a bigger and wider war enveloping most of former Yugoslavia, humanitarian catastrophe, the extension of hostilties to the south roping in Greece, Albania and Turkey, even an old-fashioned proxy su-perpower conflict, with Washington arming and backing the Muslims and Croats of western Yugoslavia while Moscow rides to the rescue of the Serbs.

All or some of this is possible. But it seems less than probable. The Bosnian war is now into its fourth



Disaster for U.N., disaster for humanity

year and far from burnt out. Since the Serb hlitzkrieg that characterised the early phase in 1992 and the vicious Muslim-Croat conflic that dominated 1993, it has settled into limited and localised offensives focused on securing the valley communications lines so crucial in a mountainous country and the strategic heights that control those routes.

despite Srebrenica, the tide has turned in favour of the Muslims and Croats, but far from conclusively.

Outright victory remain an extremely remote prospect. No side in Bosnia has the capacity to wage the all-out war feared if the U.N. stops issuing yellow cards and awards itself a red

"We're confronted by many myths of our own making," argues a Western diplomat. "I see no reason for the all-out war. They will continue to have their can do what where. In this regard, it's irrelevant

whether the U.N. is there

According to James Gow, a Balkans military analyst at King's College, London, the war will not

inevitably escalate if the U.N. cuts and runs. "It can go on at the same hobbling level."

Much will depend on the reaction of Serbia and Crotia and on the success of Western pressure in keeping the Muslim-Croat alliance established last year relatively intact.

Of the various war machines, the Yugoslav

(Serbian) army alone is capable of waging a much bigger war and there is no sign that this suits the interests of its boss, President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia.

The spillover triggered by U.N. departure is far from certain in the south, but inevitable in Croatia. But the 42-month U.N. mission in Croatia is in any case on its last legs and will be lucky to survive the year. Following the Croats' re-covery of an expanse of territory in a two-day offen-sive in May, renewed Croat operations against Serbheld territory are expected by late territory are expected by late summer. But again this likely to be limited, with the Croats, like the Muslims, engaged in nibbling away at Serb hold-

ings. Mr. Milosevic seems prepared to tolerate this, mitigating the losses around the edges with the kind of limited supplies he continues to send to the diaspora Serbs. The prospect of full victory for the Croats or Muslims would force the Serbian leader to unleash his army, but there is no chance of this in the foreseeable future.

The U.N. presence in Bosnia and Croatia has suited all sides and, inevitably, prolonged the war. It has allowed the Serbs to consolidate their grip on seized land in Croatia and Bosnia behind the U.N. huffer. It has enabled Croatia to build and equip an army from scratch. It has provided a similar breathing space for the Muslims to recover and build up their military prowess.

By its presence and its relief work the U.N. has also, of course, reduced civilian suffering. But that is delivering everdiminishing returns, as Srebrenica underlines.

After 40 months, the Sarajevo siege is as tight as ever. The aid airlift has been grounded for three months, the longest period ever. The very term "safe haven" is a macabre mockery. The weapons' exclusion zones have collapsed. The air exclusion zone is not being enforced. In short, the entire U.N. mandate has dissolved: Most of the troops find themselves standing around in someone else's war with nothing Yasushi Akashi, the

U.N. envoy, argues that by

jts presence the U.N. "plays an important role in ensuring, to some degree. the active diplomatic interest of the international community."

There is, however, precious little outside media tion taking place, with the five-power Contact Group in abeyance.

But the biggest obstacle to a U.N. withdrawal is not angst about what might follow in Bosnia or fear of a wider Balkan bloodbath. The factors paralysing a withdrawal decision are NATO's fear that it could go disastrously wrong, the political cost to the alliance and to the U.N. of such an admission of colossal failure, and the perennial U.S. reluctance to commit ground troops.

For these reasons the experts say a more likely scenario is a partial withdrawal out of harm's way that goes by another name - the euphemistic buzzword is

regrouping."
"NATO has two concluded plans, one to implement a settlement, the other for a full evacuation. Neither is likely 10 happen," says Mr. Gow. "In Srebrenica, the U.N. response is likely to be to pull their guys out of there, which they want to do anyway. They can regroup to get a stronger and more coherent presence, take all the vulnerable soldiers from outlying places, and that dears the way for greater use of air power."

The "regrouping" is already under way. The biggest U.N. contingent in Bosnia is based around Vitez and Gornji Vakuf in central Bosnia with relatively safe access to the Adriatic. The new force is to be based at nearby Tomislavgrad, which would also be the NATO evacuation

headquarters.
The big "relocation" problems are the 5,000 troops in Sarajevo and the almost 900 in the three eastern pockets, which is why the fall of Srebrenica would appear to help the U.N. out

of a fix.
"It may be that we have neither a staying or a going," says the diplomat, "but just a quiet reduction to safe areas."

The regrouping means abandoning safe havens for Bosnian civilians and establishing safe havens for the troops.

The Guardian

There is more to garlic than its unfriendly smell

By Rima Cortbawi Special to the Jordan Times

ALTHOUGH BODYodour fanatics totally exclude garlic from their diet for fear of ending up "friendless," authoratative sources and international pharmaceutical references stress the importance of this "pure magic" to health and well-being.

"It is common knowledge worldwide that garlic is essential for healthconcerned individuals,' said Munib Saket, professor of pharmaceutics and dean of pharmacy at the Applied

Science University.
Since World War II, Japan has been cultivating garlie, collecting the re-maining parts of the bulbs (after harvesting) and mixing them with the soil to kill germs, according to Dr. Saket. In Korea, he said, statistics show a relatively low rate of heart attacks. and this is because people there "simply eat a lot of garlic." Asians are generally fortunate to use garlic immensely as a flavouring to many of their meals, said

Dr. Saket.

A recently presented Canadian documentary dis-cussed how British monarchs prohibited the use of garlic in the 16th or 17th century due to its bad smell; but, according to Dr. Saket, because of the experience of an Indian horsekeeper. who later noted the remarkable therapeutic affects of garlic on his sick horse, it was since then advised to mix garlic powder with horse food stuff as a protective measure for all borses. Also, he

forced on the use of garlic were no longer applicable.

In this ebb and flow.. and

Though indigenous to South Europe and countries of the Mediterranean, the plant can be cultivated in many temperate zones such as China, Japan, Argentina and the U.S. In this region, it is cultivated in the Jordan Valley, Irbid and the West Bank and has a flowering time between April and

German pharmaceutical references, said Dr. Saket, state that the documented therapeutic effects of garlic and the medical information gathered about it are reliable for public acknow-ledgement. Garlic, be said, can be used as a diaphoretic (agent inducing sweat excretion), expectorant, spasmoloytic, antiseptic, bacteriostatic, antiviral hypotensive and anthelmitic (worm

repellant) substance.

However, the main use of garlic in treating chronie bronchitis, respiratory certain (liquid production in the respiratory system), recurrent colds, whooping cough, bronchitic asthma and influenza shows that it can very suitably substitute for antibiotics, according to Dr. Saket. "In certain cases, garlie is combined with other types of plants to enhance its effects on the body," he said.

Many conditions have proved garlic to be more effective than penicillin and other antibiotics; bence it is used to kill many germs in the blood, said Khamis Bitar, owner of Systems Scientific Research Centre. Also, an active ingredient extracted from garlic proved, after purification and analysis, to be good for

fighting against cancer, said Mr. Bitar.

With volatile oil, sulphur compounds and vitamins A, B and C as constituents, both garlic and garlic oil have diverse uses for the body. According to Dr. Saket, garlie was valued by many ancient civilisations as a popular remedy as well as flavouring agent. The Codex Ebers, an Egyptian medical papyrus dating back to about 1550 B.C.. mentioned garlic in 22 therapeutic formulae that are present in Egypt until this

day, Dr. Saket said. Garlic oil, according to Mr. Khamis, can activate the body, boost the appetite, sterilise wounds. soothe local pains (due to rheumatism and dental, gum or ear problems etc.), treat dandruff, protect diabetics from certain com-

plications associated with the disease, cure the effects of nicotine poisoning, lower blood pressure, safeguard against cardiovascular problems, control cholesterol levels in the blood, prevent worm invasion in the body, destroy lice and even treat foot

Documented articles reveal that garlic lowers blood cholesterol, triglicerides and blood viscosity, said Dr. Saket. It also activates fibrinolysis and inhibits platelet aggregation, which, he added, lowers the chances of a beart attack. Because its active ingredient contains allicin (sulphur compound), garlie has also a beneficial effect on blood lipids, blood pressure and blood coagulation, Dr. Saket said.

According to German

scientists, garlic decreases blood cholesterol and triglycerides due to its tendency to reduce the level of low density lipopoteins (LDL) in the blood and increase that of high density lipoproteins (HDL), producing a favourable shift in the HDL: LDL ratio, according to Dr. Saket. Moverover, researchers

from Germany, England and India recently confirmed that blood pressure may be reduced as a result of the use of garlic, especially in bypertensive pa-tients. The plant, he added, also decreases blood viscosity, thus improving blood fluidity, and with mild vasodilation, leading to better capillary flow of blood. An article published in British Medical Journal recently ensured that all the above mentioned effects of garlie

cardiovascular diseases. Finally, Dr. Saket said. different articles in many international journals point out that garlic has a broad spectrum of anti-microbial activities. Recommended dosage for bealth-conscious adults includes a daily intake of two to five grams of dried garlic bulbs, two to four millilitres of garlic syrup, 0.03 to 0.12 ml of

garlic oil or any other

equivalent preparation.

However, only small di-

tend to lower the risks of

luted doses should be administered to children. With all the benefits of garlie to human health, it is no wonder that "nowadays many countries of the developed world hold garlie festivals in recognition and appreciation of the diverse uses this valuable natural resource," Dr. Saket said.

Israel, Palestinians in marathon talks threw stones, tomatoes and

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wanted to restrict redeployment from villages and limit the movement and security

responsibilities of Palestinian police there.

added, the restrictions en-

"We will continue today to try to iron out the differences," a PLO official said. Meanwhile Jewish settlers

Kabariti might visit Riyadh 'soon'

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"After seven months this effort "was crowned by the invitation to Kabariti to visit Riyadh," the official

The situation between Riyadh and Amman has been consistently moving to a point where a meeting had to take place if only to agree on defining the differences that needed to be

ironed out, the official said. "This is what the latest meeting did exactly. Bridges had to be built and this could only be done

inrough a dialogue that would move us from an abnormal to a normal situa-

Officials admit that "some sensitivities, some actual problems" remain. But a mood for reconciliation has been created," as a senior official put it.

What matters is that the talks were deep, frank and ртаgmatic. Each Saudi grievance was met by a Jordanian explanation and viec-versa," the official said. "Hopefully we are close to restoring full understanding and recon-

ciliation."

eggs at Chairman Arafat's adviser Ahmed Tibi near Jerusalem on Monday but he escaped unscathed, witnesses and settlers said.

"We are talking about uncivilised vigilantes. They know the only option they have is to leave our land in Palestine and move back to their homes in Israel," Mr. Tibi. an Israeli Arab physician, told Reuters. He said he

was unharmed. The settlers first targetted Mr. Tibi near the West Bank settlement of Tekoa where he was taping an Israel television programme on the future of the settlements with Jewish settler Rabbi Menachem Froman.

was lightly injured. A short time later settlers, waiting for him near the Efrat settlement, blocked the road with their cars. When Mr. Tibi approached in his car. several dozen settlers began throwing rocks and eggs, the witnesses said.

A television crew member

Aharon Domb, a spokesman for the settlers who confirmed the incidents, said Mr. Tibi should consider himself lucky to have escaped unbarmed. "Any enemy of Israel... deserves worse," Mr. Domb

Also Monday, right-wing protesters rioted outside a court where Jewish teenagers arrested in occupied West

Jewish settlers also put up mobile homes and a makeshift synagogue at Olive Hill, a West Bank site where they blocked roads and scuffled with police last week in protest over the planned Israeli troop withdrawal.

Bank were appearing.

Resistance by Jewish settiers in the West Bank is growing as Israel and the PLO negotiate the final details of a troop pullout and expansion of Palestinian self-Two police officers were

hurt and three protesters

were arrested in Monday's

protest outside the Jerusalem

magistrate's court, a police spokesman said. Twenty-five people were

detained early Sunday for demonstrating and blocking traffic outside the police station in Hebron, where a teenager was being questioned for shooting a Palestinian man with a slingshot. Eight teenagers who were

arrested appeared in court Monday morning and were released, police said. "It is very hard to believe that Jews treat Jews like they

are enemies," said one of the Near the Kiryat Arba settlement next to Hebron. dozens of settlers occupied a vacant apartment building on Sunday night. Settler Rina Kadosh said the action was a

protest against the detention

Rabin defends Arafat

of the teenagers.

Prime Minister Rabin dismissed international criticism of Mr. Arafat's crackdown on Islamic militants, saying human rights violations counted less than success in stopping

In a speech to Jewish fundraisers, Mr. Rabin noted a report from the buman rights group Amnesty International that blasted Mr. Arafat for violating international conventions.

"I wish that no one will support Amnesty about this

Amnesty demanded in April that Mr. Arafat dismantle a military court that has secretly tried more than a dozen suspected Islamic militants, including four 14-year-

Mr. Arafat set up the court in response to pressure from Israel and the United States to combat violent opposition to the peace process.

Mr. Rabin said most important was that Mr. Arafat was attempting to stop violence that has killed 124 Israelis since the signing of the Israeli-PLO peace treaty in September 1993.

House panel demands

equal treatment

(Continued from page I) In the Parliament's session at the end of last month. opposition deputies, headed by the IAF's 16-member hloc, managed only 21 votes against 46 in favour of refer-

Judiciary and Financial Committees. While Islamist deputies strongly fought against the draft law in principle, centrist deputies called for conditioning land sale to Israel with reciprocal action from the

ring the draft law to the joint

Jewish state. They argued that the Israeli government owns 93 per cent of the land in the Jewish state and bans the sale of private ownership to foreigners. The Israeli real estate market is closed to all foreigners in accordance with Israeli laws.

Dr. Dughmi asserted that the new amendments added to the draft law included all forms of safeguards against any future manipulation of the law and that all land sale or lease to foreigners will be controlled by the govern-

ment. The Islamic deputies had also exerted several attempts in the past to block or postpone the discussion of the draft law.

The draft law is expected to be referred to the House next week. On the House's agenda at the moment is the draft labour law with 108 out of its 145 articles approved. On Wednesday's agenda is a 35-article draft law on the environment that is not expected to draw extensive de-

EU signs ground-breaking association treaty with Tunisia

BRUSSELS (AFP) - The European Union on Monday signed a groundbreaking treaty of association with Tunista in a first step towards and exchange and will supthe creation of a free trade zone between the two in about 12 years' time.

The treaty is just one of a series of agreements the EU hopes to sign with countries of the southern Mediterranean rim in an effort to bind the volatile economies closer

to western Europe.
The 15-member Europan Union agreed earlier in June this year to help boost the economies of the southern Mediterranean countries in a bid to stop the drive of Islamic fundamentalism on Europe's southern shores.

Tunisian Foreign Minister Habih Ben Yahia said that the deal marked "a turning point in our relations with the union" and expressed satisfaction that Tunisia had become the first Mediterranean country to sign such an agree-ment with the EU.

WASHINGTON (AFP) -

Secretary of State Warren Christopher staunchly de-

fended renewal of U.S. trade

privileges for China Sunday despite Beijing's arrest of a Chinese-American human rights activist.

Mr. Christopber also indi-

cated Washington's intention

to participate in a U.N. con-

ference on women scheduled

to be held in Beijing in

September, but would not say if first lady Hillary Clin-

"It is important to empha-

size that the United States

has a great deal of need to

keep engaged with China."

Mr. Christopher said in a televised interview. "It is a very powerful and important

"We don't intend to try to

contain them," he said, in an

apparent reference to the old

cold war policy of seeking to

curb the expansion of the

communist-ruled giant's influ-

He said the arrest of natur-

alised U.S. citizen Harry Wu,

detained at the Chinese-

Kazakh border on June 19,

Mr. Wu, who has been

charged with spying on recent

trips to China, left a letter in

the United States explaining

why he felt compelled to re-

turn to his native country to

expose its prison system. The

message appears in The New

Yorker magazine's July 24

Mr. Wu came to the Un-

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ton would attend.

"We hope that this agreement will make Tunisia even more attractive as a centre for investment, production port our efforts to update our economy," he added.

What now had to be assessed was how the EU and 12 Mediterranean and Middle Eastern countries prepared for a regional conterence in Barcelona at the end of November, the minister con-

Under the agreement, announced at EU headquarters in Brussels, Tunisia is to remove all customs duties applied to EU industrial goods during a period of 12 years with the exact timing varying depending on the goods concerned and the state of the relevant sectors of the Tuni-

sian economy. Customs duties on agriculture goods are also to be wound down while the EU is to provide direct financial assistance to modernise the

ited States in 1985 after 19

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and of causing my beloved wife to endure a lifetime of

sadness and pain," he said in

"But still, the sound from

the mine in my ears seems to

ask, 'Who will go?' And the

answer that comes back is 'If

I don't go, then who will'?"
Mr. Christopher called for

Mr. Wu's prompt release but

that the United States show

its displeasure by revoking

China's most favoured nation

(MFN) trading status or pulling out the U.N. conference

in Beijing.
"The United States will

strongly support the mainte-nance of most favoured na-

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present circumstances," Mr.

U.S. backs China's trade

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age investment from Europe and improve the competitive position of Tunisian com-

The union also hopes to sign an agreement soon with Israel and is conducting talks with Morocco, though prob-lems over fishing rights have put a block on advances in the Rabat talks.

In the first half of 1994, the EU-Tunisia trade balance showed a 504 million ECU (\$655 million) surplus in favour of the Union, down from 1.14 billion ECUs in the same period of 1993. Tunisia's main trade part-

ners in the Union are France. Germany and Italy.
Since 1976, the Union has given 783 million ECUS (\$1 billion) on financial aid to Tunisia under an economic

cooperation agreement. At their Cannes summit in June. EU leaders agreed a total aid package for 1995-1999 of 5.685 billion ECUs for the Mediterranean re-

President Bill Clinton re-

newed China's MFN status June 2. MFN. granted to

nearly all U.S. trading part-

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these circumstances, but at the same time I believe that

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in our interest as well as heing in the Chinese in-terest," the top U.S. diplo-

He also said the U.N.

gathering was a once-in-a-

decade event and 'that's a

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chair the U.S. delegation but

Hillary Clinton has expressed

an interest in attending.
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behind us so we can put our

relationship back on a solid track," Mr. Christopher said.

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U.N. Ambassador Madeleine Albright is due to

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Exports rose 36 per cent to \$345 million from \$253 mil-lion for the same six-month period last year but imports rose 26 per cent to \$3.517 billion from \$2.782 billion, it

Major imports included electronic machinery (17 per cent), transport equipment and cars (10 per cent) and food products (eight per . Paper products came first on the list of exports, consti-

deficit grows

BEIRUT (R) — Lebanon's trade deficit widened to

\$3.172 billion in the first balf

of 1995 from \$2.529 billion

for the same period last year.

the finance ministry said on

Monday.

tuting 26.6 per cent of the total followed by textiles with 10 per cent and precious stones with nine per cent.
Italy maintained its number one position on the list of Lebanon's suppliers with 13 per cent of the total, followed

by the United States, Germany and France.
The United Arab Emirates came first on the list of countries importing Lebanese goods, followed by Saudi Arabia, Syria, France, Jor-

Iran to offer 10 oil projects to foreign firms

DUBAI (R) — Iran, quickly following up its success in sidestepping a U.S. economic embargo, will invite foreign oil companies to hid for work to develop 10 major projects, a senior official said on Mon-

"We are going to have an international tender for 10 other projects in the coming weeks," Seyed Mehdi Hus-seini, head of oil exploration and international agreements at state-owned National Iraman Oil Company (NIOC) told Reuters in defiance of U.S. President Bill Clinton's

Iran's offer to foreign firms to develop its oilfields and refineries comes four days after NIOC agreed with French oil company Total SA a \$600 million deal to develop the Sirri E aod Sirri A

bid to isolate Islamic Iran.

offshore oil and gas fields. Total, with apparent French government support, replaced the U.S. company Conoco that was forced by Mr. Clinton to withdraw from Iran, which is accused by Washington of fostering international terrorism and

"The doors are open. Everything is clear, the way has been paved for cooperation, Mr. Husseini said, adding that future contracts would be based on terms similar to those agreed with Total.

seeking to acquire nuclear

Mr. Husseini said Total would recover the cost of its \$600 million investment in not more than five years through liftings of crude oil from the Sirri fields.

Total's share price feli last week on the news of the deal because of concerns about profitability and political

But Mr. Husseini stressed the fields' reserves were large enough to pay Total back quickly, estimating Sirri A would produce at least 20,000 oil barrels per day (bpd) and Sirri E 100,000 bpd.

Output of Sirri A oil and gas would begin in two and a half years and from Sirri E in three and a half years, he

Total is expected to start work on the project within three months and its officials could be based at the Iranian port of Bandar Abbas or at Dubai in the United Arab Emirates.

More than half of the 10 additional projects on offer will covern Iran's offshore oil, gas and condensate fields, he said.

Also in the tender will be the construction at Bandar Abbas and expansion of a refinery on Lavan Island in the Gulf.

NIOC intends to issue tenders detailing the projects by the end of July and will invite interested companies to a Tehran seminar in September to familiarise themselves with

Foreign investment is cru-cial to the future of Iran's oil industry which will have to bring new offshore oilfields on stream over the next five years if it is to retain its position as the world's second largest oil exporter, after Saudi Arabia.

Lebanon trade UAE boosts water, power output to face demand

ABU DHABI (AFP) — The United Arab Emirates (UAE) is investing billions of dollars to upgrade its water and electricity production to face a rapid rise in consumption due to economic and population growth, experts said Monday.

The second phase of the giant Al Tawita desalination plant, one of the biggest in the Middle East, is scheduled to be completed this year while other major hydroelectric projects are on the

Experts said the water proects, which will cater for the domestic needs in the longrun, indicated the UAE's determination to rely on its own resources despite offers from Turkey and other countries to supply it with fresh water. "Projects with such a size show the UAE does not want to import water apparently for security reasons," one ex-

pert said Official figures showed average consumption exceeds 360 litres per capita a day and it is growing by nearly 10 per cent annually.

A report by the official news agency WAM said on Sunday the second phase of Al Tawila project near Abu Dhabi would produce 273 million litres of drinking water and 732 megawatts of electricity per day once it is completed by the end of this

The first phase was com-

missioned two years ago and it had a production capacity of around 72 million litres per

The final stage is to be launched in 1996 to produce around 108 million litres per day, bringing the total output to more than 432 million litres of water and 3,000 megawatts of electricity.

'Al Tawila project was launched in 1985 to meet the needs of more than one million people in Abu Dhabi and the nearby oasis city of Al Ain. It is expected to cost more than \$3 billion. Another desalination pro-

ject to be completed this year is in the western town of Al Marfa. It will produce around 54 million litres of fresh water per day and 180 megawatts of electricity.

Other projects involve installation of additional gas turbines in Abu Dhabi and Al Ain at a cost of one billion dirhams (\$272 million), upgrading power generation in the western town of Liwa at a cost of 99 million dirhams (\$27 million) and setting up a new water distribution network in Abu Dhabi and Al Ain at a cost of 118 million dirhams (\$32 million).

Authorities have also approved around 750 million dirbams (\$204 million) for linking the power network in the seven emirates. The project will be launched in late 1995.

Abu Dhabi reports lower income from oil services

Gulf emirate of Abu Dhabi, a major crude exporter, on Monday reported a decline of around 15 per cent in the 1994 combined income of the five state companies serving its oil sector.

Their revenues stood at 2.02 hillion dirhams (\$550 million) in 1994 compared with 2.38 hillion dirhams (\$648 million) in 1993, according to the state-controlled Ahu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC).

The report covered the National Petroleum Construction Company (NPCC), the National Marine Services (NMS), the National Drilling

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Company (NDC), the Abu Dhabi Petroleum Ports Oper-ating Company (ADPPOC) and the Abu Dhabi Drilling Chemicals and Products (ADDCAP).

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644 million dirhams (\$175.4 million) from 601 million dirhams (\$163.7 million). The remaining two com-

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FORECAST FOR TUESDAY, JULY 18, 1995

By Thomas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) Be sure you know how to follow the

advice of an expert so that you can become more successful tonight.

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AQUARIUS: (January 21 to February 19) Get into pleasurable activities with others today and relieve tension you may be under. Take your mate along with you.

PISCES: (February 20 to March 20) Have conversations quietly with your loved ones today. You know how to improve the concord there

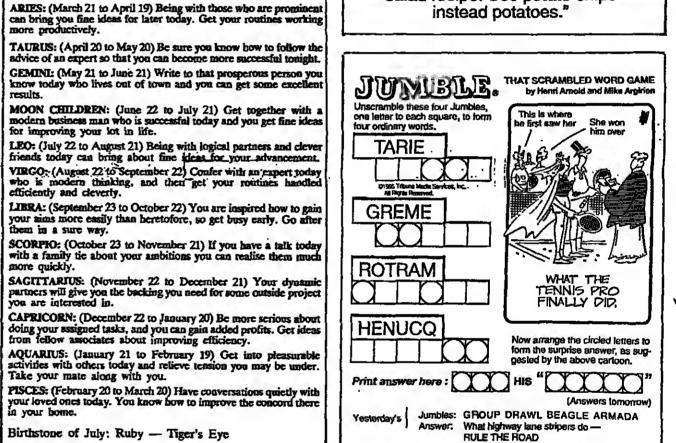
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THE Daily Crossword by Richard Thomas

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A review of economic news from the Arabic press

Jordan to take part in 3 trade fairs

🧻 he Jordan Export Development and Commercial Centres Corporation will participate in three international fairs which will be held in Syria, Greece and South Africa. JEDCO sources said 34 Jordanian companies applied to participate in the Damascus International Fair which will be held in the period Aug.-Sept. 10. The sources said 19 Jordanian companies also applied to take part in a fair in Athens, Greece, in the period Sept. 9-18 and 37 companies in the South African fair in the period Oct. 24-28. Meanwhile, JEDCO is still preparing for holding the first Jordanian industrial fair in London in the period Nov. 14-18. The Jordanian embassy in London was asked by JEDCO to arranged for holding the fair in the Arab-British Chamber of Commerce, which offered to bost the fair for free (Al

** The general assembly of

the Petra Projects and Equipment Leasing Company and the Jordan and the Gulf Real Estate Investments Company agreed to merge the two companies in one sharebolding company to be named Al Ittihad (union) Land Development Company. The JD 4.5 capital of the Jordan and Gulf Real Estate Development Company and JD 500,000 capital of the Petra company will be combined to constitute the JD 5 million capital of the new company. The new company's sbareholders will meet within two weeks to elect a board of directors and auditors. The head of an executive committee supervising the process of merging the two companies suffering from financial problems, Mohammad Bilbeisi, said the merger took place after a group of investors intervened to save the two companies. He said the new company will be importing and buying various construction and agricultural machinery and equipment and will be leasing them. The capital of the Jordan and Gulf company was earlier reduced from JD 3 million to JD 1.5 million because of the accumulative losses it suffered. A group of investors recently raised the capital to JD 4.5 million. The Petra company's capital was reduced from JD 1

** Jordan's consumption of bread rose from 88.6 kilogrammes a year in 1986 to 116. r kilogrammes in 1992, President of the Owners Bakeries Association Abdul Ilah Hamawi said. He said 90 per cent of bread produced in Jordan is Arabic, or pita

Saudi says to self finance huge plane deal

DUBA1 (R) — Saudi Arabia's powerful Defence and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan was quoted on Monday as saying the government would itself finance a deal worth about \$7.5 billion for 61 U.S.-made aircraft.

"God willing, the financing will in all circumstances be from the state's treasury,' Prince Sultan was quoted as saying late on Sunday in response to a question.

"But how, when and on what basis, that is left to the finance minister to handle." he said in remarks carried by the official Saudi Press Agen-

One senior banker said Prince Sultan's remarks "are a very important development. It is the first (official) indication ever they (Riyadh)

would provide guarantees."
"It is a good indication that the government will pay," he added saying that it could mean that Riyadh was no longer considering project or commercial financing.

But some diplomats and bankers appeared confused. They said the remarks did not appear to shed new light on financing terms for what has been dubbed," the deal of the decade" to renew the ageing fleet of the flag-carrier Saodi Arabian Airlines Corp. (Saudia).

differences with the U.S. export credit agency Export-Import (Ex-Im) Bank on guarantees for the deal had been resolved. "It could be nothing at all,

just a quick answer to a ques-

It also remained unclear if

assessment of the deal finalised, there was nothing finat then on financing," said a senior banker in the kingdom. "We were not there

tion," said a western source in Riyadh. "We really have no clarifications and it is very confusing." A western economic

attache in Riyadh said "it is really still unclear what the prince means ... it is confus-A month ago, the prince

disclosed the long-awaited breakdown of aircraft allocations to Boeing Co. and McDonnell Douglas Corp. and said contracts would be signed "within a few days." Engine allocations are yet 10 announced.

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yet," he added. Riyadh has held talks with Ex-Im Bank to guarantee 85 per cent of the deal. It was at the same time considering other options including commercial financing.

Saudi Arabia, strapped for cash in recent years due to weak oil prices, has apparently secured an accord with the aircraft makers to sptit guarantees needed for the remaining 15 per cent, indus-try experts said earlier.

Saudi Arabia recorded a \$10.7 biltion deficit in its 1994 budget despite cutting the budget by 20 per cent. But this year oil income has been higher than forecast, fuelling hopes that a \$4 billion shortfall in the \$40 billion budget could disappear.

Iran seeks new aircraft, but on soft loan basis

NICOSIA (R) — Iran plans to buy more commercial planes provided their purchase was on a soft loan basis, Roads and Transport Minister Akbar Torkan was quoted

on Monday as saying.
The official IRNA news agency quoted him as saying

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in an interview with the. English-language newspaper Iran News that Iran also had plans to increase the price of

Mr. Torkan said: "Iran is planning to purchase more planes with the sole condition that the purchase be made on

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He did not say how many aircraft the country planned to buy or from whom, but said it was not interested in buying U.S.-manufactured Boeings because it had offers from other manufacturers

such as Europe's Airbus In-

U.S. President Bill Clinton in May announced a ban on U.S. companies dealing with Iran because of its alleged sponsorship of terrorism and its efforts to acquire nuclear weapons. Iran denies the charges.

Iran has two state-owned airlines, Iran Air and Iran Asseman Airlines, and several small, newly established private carriers. Mr. Torken said Iran had

been offered passenger planes from French, Russian, Chinese and Dutch manufacturers, "We have no problem in this regard.' "Iran Air purchased five

Airbus and six Fokker planes, and Asseman purch-

ased four Boeing 727s, four Fokkers and five ATR passenger planes since the advent of the Islamic revolution" in 1979, he said.

ATR is a Frnaco-Italian joint venture and Fokker is The magazine Flight Inter-

national said in April Iran Air had a fleet of 31 aircraft - t8 Boeings of various types, five Airbus A-300-BZs, two Airbus A300-600s and six Fokker 100s.

Asseman had 20 planes, four of them Boeing 727s, it said. Mr. Torkan said Iran's sup-

reme economic council was studying his ministry's proposal for raising air ticket prices.

He said Iranian airlines were currently charging \$10 per hour of flights, compared with \$140 in the United States, \$100 in Europe and \$80 in Asia.

The low fares meant no capital investment could be made in the industry from ticket sales, Mr. Torkan said.

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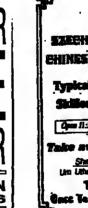
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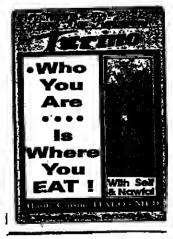
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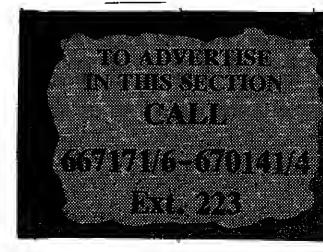














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Evert inducted into Tennis Hall of Fame

NEWPORT, Rhode Island (AP) — For someone whose game was basic baseline — some called it boring - Chris Evert sure made a showy entrance into the international ten-

nis Hall of Fame. Former U.S. President George Bush did the honours Sunday, presenting Evert with her enshrinement certificate at the site where America's first national championship was held.

"This weekend is not only about the results, but the beginning," Evert said. However, the results of her 18-year career were staggering.

She won at least one Grand Slam tournament singles title every year be-tween 1974 and 1986 three times at Wimbledon, twice at the Australian Open, a record of seven French Opens and six U.S. Opens. Add three Grand Slam doubles victories two with arch-rival Martina Navratilova — and I39 other professional singles

Kafelnikov

triumphs

at Gstaad

GSTAAD, Switzerland (AP)

— Russia's Yevgeny Kafelnikov outlasted Switzerland's
Jakob Hlasek 6-3. 6-4. 3-6,
6-3 claiming the \$560,000
Swiss Open for his third title

of the season and first ever on

clay.

The victory also will move Kafelnikov, who earlier this year won in Milan, Italy, and

St. Petersburg, Russia. past Goran Ivanisevic into sixth

place when the ATP tour

releases its computer rank-

ings on Monday. Hlasek never overcame the

interruptions of two rain de-

lays and appeared to lack the

confidence he showed in his

6-3, 6-4 semifinal victory over

Kafelnikov, 21, who bear

reigning three-time champion

Marc Rosset.

line" tag simply disappears. "I belong here," Evert said of the Hall of Fame. "This is one big happy family.

And her entire family shared occasion with her. Besides her husband, former Alpine skier Andy Mill, others watching the ceremony included her parents. Jim and Colette, and most of her siblings and their families.

Sunday's festivity was a rare time when a former American president played what he called "a cameo "I don't do news confer-

ence. I don't do issues. I do what I like to do in life, Bush said shortly after arriving in Newport, once the playground of America's richest families. "I came here as a tennis fan, sometime player and friend and avid supporter of Chris.

In that, Bush joined the throngs who paid tribute to a woman who was ranked No. I in the world eight

PARIS (AFP) — Nantes'

attempt at a second consecu-

tive French title has been

hampered by two major de-

partures from their ranks, but

they remain strong favourites this season with Paris Saint

Paris Saint Germain kick

off at Bastia on Tuesday in a

rematch of their League Cup final to herald the first 1995-

96 fixture of Europe's major

football leagues with the

Tour France cycling race still

Nicolas Ouedec and

Reynald Pedros are still there

to give the Champions

League hopefuls Nantes

But leading scorer Patrice Loko, signed by Paris Saint

Germain for an undisclosed

fee on Saturday, and

defender-cum-midfielder

Christian Karemebeu. who

joined Italy's Sampdoria for 4.5 million dollars, have flown/

punch up front.

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Germain and Monaco.

times during her career. "Can't get any better than that," Evert said of Bush's participation in her enshrinement. "It's the

"He's welcomed us into his family. He always re-members his friends and his family. He still remains very down to earth." Following the ceremony.

Bush and Evert went to a practice court and played a friendly doubles match against Hall of Fame vice president Pam Shriver, still a touring pro, and Mill. Until she retired, Evert

said she didn't have time to consider the titles she was busy winning. When you're a player, you're just concerned ab-

out the now." Evert said of her place in bistory. "I feel: a part of it now. Known for her tenacity and her poise, two Evert

records may never be

matched, let alone broken.

matches on clay from Au-

fuse the offers for the New-Caledonia-born French inter-

national and Loko. Both

Pedros extended his con-

tract by a year but several

other squad members only

stayed because they were un-

But Nantes coach Jean-

Claude Suaudeau has no

doubts the dissenters have

already fallen in line and will

"Of course there is a pas-

sion which is burning within most of my players." but I

know certain people have

changed their attitude and

that will only benefit the

Two new recruits - both

French under-21 internation-

als — could play a major role

Gourvennec and Montpellier

defender Bruno Carotti have

Rennes midfielder Jocelyn

group." Suaudeau said.

give their all for Nantes.

able to find buyers.

were determined to leave.

She won 125 consecutive

Poaching hits Nantes' hopes But Suaudeau does not expect to match last year's league camoaign when

gust 1973 to may 1979.

when she lost to Tracy Au-

stin in the Italian Open

semifinals. Ironically, Au-

stin, whose career was

halted by injury, entered

the Hall of Fame three

years ago, although she's

Another unapproachable

Evert record is her

reaching the semifinals or better in 52 of the 56 Grand

Slam tournament in which

she played.
"I don't miss the pressure," she said. "It's not the

best thing and it begins

playing tricks with you. But

I miss playing great tennis.

Because I worked so bard-

....there's no moment like

sons, Evert on Sunday was again a winner.

model to the young people

who have a dream," she

athlete or the quickest or

the strongest. But anything is possible if you want it

bad enough."

Now a mother of two

"I hope I can be a role

"I wasn't the best

younger than Evert.

Nantes lost just one match.

Their first match of the new season is at home to Auxerre on Wednesday and by September the holders will have also played championship contenders PSG and Bordeaux.

Paris Saint Germain, who in the last three seasons have reached the semi-finals of all three European competitions, have knocked everything down to start again.

George Weah has gone to AC Milan, David Ginola to Newscastle, Brazilians Valdo and Richardo have signed for Portugal's Benfica, and Antoine Kombouare has gone to Switzerland's Sion.

PSG coach Luis Fernandez will be expecting much of Panamanian striker Dely Valdes, signed from Cagliari, and 27-year-old midfielder Youri Djorkacff from Mona-

Prinosil beats Wheaton for 1st ATP title

NEWPORT, Rhode Island (AP) — Sixth-seeded David Prinosil used a blistering first serve and strong service return Sunday to upset defending champion David Wheaton in the Hall of Fame tennis championships.

Prinosil won 7-6 (7-3), 5-7, 6-2 for his first ATP Tour title. The 22-year-old Czech native and German citizen had I6 aces and won 85 per cent of the points on his first

Prinosil said after losing the second set, he tried to concentrate more.

"f had the chance to win the second set, but I stayed in the match and I just kept going and felt better and bethe said.

"I knew he had a good serve going in and he proved it," said Wheaton, who had not dropped a set in four previous matches. "It wasn't only his serve, he returned my serve very well. He just returned better than anyone else the whole week against

Wheaton, seeded No. I, appeared to gain momentum in the second set when he broke Prinosil to go up 6-5. then served out the set after two deuces. But Prinosil held at love in the opening game of the third set and broke

Wheaton in the fourth game, "I played a careless game at 2-I," Wheaton said. "I missed a couple of volleys and that was critical. Once he won that game he played a good game to go up 4-I and he was really on a roll."

Prinosil broke Wheaton in the final game, rocketing a forehand winner off Wheaton's serve on match point and letting out a yelp of delight.

Prinosil started slowly, needing six deuces just to hold serve I-I in the first set. But then he broke Wheaton at love and held serve with an

ace to go up 3-1. Trailing love-40, Wheaton surprised Prinosil with an underhand serve and followed it to the net, smasbing home Prinosil's feeble return.

Wheaton eventually won the game and broke Prinosil to get back on serve at 3-3.

'He was returning so well. I figured this might change it up a little bit," Wheaton said of the underhand serve. "He had taken some of my best serves and hit them right by me. I knew he wouldn't be expecting it."

Prinosil admitted he was caught off guard by the underhand serve, which he said he last saw "once" in juniors.

"I just lost my concentration after that point," he

After splitting the next six games, Prinosil used three aces during the tiebreaker to win it 7-3 and take the first

Prinosil and Wheaton held serve through nine games of the second set. Prinosil, leading 5-4, was within two points of victory when Wheaton bore down, holding serve, then breaking Prinosil when

the German double-faulted on Wheaton's advantage. Wheaton served out the set when Prinostl missed two

forehands at deuce. Though Wheaton had experience and momentum on his side, Prinosil went back to his strength and used powerful first serves to hold all four service games in the final set. while breaking Wheaton

twice. Wheaton defeated Prinosil in straight sets the quarterfinals of last year's Hall of Fame tournament, the only U.S. pro event played on grass. He said he saw a different Prinosil this time.

He really showed he was calm under pressure out there," Wheaton said. "Last year. I won the first set and the second set, his concentration went way down. This year he was able to deal with

adversity a lot better." Prinosil collected \$32,600 for the victory, which moved his world ranking up 17 spots, to No. 75.

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Hill and Schumacher reprimanded after crash

SILVERSTONE (R) - Title rivals Damon Hill and Michael Schumacher were severely reprimanded and warned about their future conduct after a controversial crash in the British Grand Prix on Sunday.

Their collision on the 44th of 61 laps overshadowing the race and a great win for Benetton driver Johnny Herbert, the Briton's first in Formula One at the 71st attempt.

The stewards said both German Schumacher, in a Benetton, and Briton Hill, driving a Williams, were partially responsible for the collision in which Hill dived down the inside at priory corner but failed to brake in time as the German moved into the corner. The reprimand came after

hearing the version of each driver and watching video replays. The pair were told future similar actions could result in severe penalties.

Benetton managing director Flavio Briatore slammed Hill as an unworthy contender for the World Drivers' Championship after the crash. Briatore, irritated by what

he perceived to be a reckless piece of driving by the Bri-ton, said: "I am still deeply surprised at what Damon did. "I believe that a driver who

is challenging for the World Championship and acts in that way does not really deserve it.

Schumacher said Hill's move was "totally unneces-sary and stupid."

The world champion said:

What can I say? I think what Damon did was totally un-necessary. In fact, it was really stupid. There was no room for two cars and there is no place to overtake there.

"It is such a small straight and even if you brake into the first part and turn in it is almost impossible. If I had not seen there, I think he would have gone straight into

the gravel. The collision between the two main protagonists for the world title revived memories of their crash in Adelaide last year at the Australian Grand Prix and the old bitter rivalry and crashes involving Alain Prost of France and the late Ayrton Senna of Brazil.

Asked if he felt the accident would, cause reprisals at the German Grand Prix at Hockenheim in two weeks time, Briatore said: "No, I don't think so. The Germans are for more intelligent than

Hill did not believe he was

to blame, saying: "We were having a great race and it was very exciting.
"I thought I saw an opportunity that I could take advantage of but I am afraid that Micbael is a harder man

to pass than that and we had an accident which I would describe as a racing accident.



Thomas Muster

Muster prepares to bounce back STUTTGART (AFP) - Yevgeny Kafelnikov of

Russia, who beat Bruguera

in the semi-finals in Gstaad.

before winning the title

there, will also be in the

French Open champion markable 40-match winning streak on clay came to an end last week when he was beaten by Spaniard Alex Corretja at Gstaad, hopes to turn the page and reproduce his winning touch at this week's one million dollar ATP tournament here.

The powerful 27-year-old Austrian baseliner, currently ranked fourth, is clearly determined to erase all memory of his shock first-round defeat in Switzerland with a good

should be Spain's second-seeded Sergi Bruguera — although dangerous

run in Stuttgart.
"I haven't lost in a long time. It's an unfamiliar feeling for me." he said after losing to Corretja. This week his main rival

draw.

Home hopes will be pinned on Bernd Karbacher, Sinner since top Germans Boris Becker and Michael Stich are not taking part.

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Sergi Brugera in the semi-Nantes, facing bankruptcy two years ago, could not realready impressed Suaudean finals, took control early. in two summer friendlies. Colin Jackson left off World Championship team

BIRMINGHAM (AP) — Angry British track officials on Monday left world champion hurdler Colin Jackson off the team for next month's World Championships in Sweden. The British Athletic Fed-

eration, however, said Jackson could be reinstated if he proves his "competitive fitness" in time for the Aug.

4-13 championships in Gote-

national championships in Birmingham on Saturday after running in one heat, citing a groin muscle injury. However, he turned up at a meet Sunday in Padua, Italy, and won the 110-metre hurdles. He reportedly received an appearance fee of \$35,000.

"I am surprised and dis-appointed that Colin was not borg.

Jackson pulled out of the able to perform in front of a British crowd, but ran well so

this season.

He said Jackson would be asked for an explanation. Team coach Malcolm Arnold, who has coached

soon afterwards," BAF ex-

ecutive chairman Peter Rad-

Jackson since he was 16, said, "I feel very disappointed at what has happened."

Jackson set the world re-cord of 12.91 seconds when he won the sprint hurdles at the 1993 World Championship in Stuttgart. Germany. He has been below form for most of this season.

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West led a fourth hest diamond and declarer could count mine Iricks -- four spades, three diar

and the aces of hearts and clubs There was, however, a snag After

releasing the king and jack of spades from hand, there is no sure entry to duranty to cash the two high spades.

A thoughtle-a declarer would re-alize the problem only after winning the first track with the nine of dis-monds. South could free the spades and then try underleading the acc-king of durmonds, but West would surely win the queen and declarer would still be abut out of durmy. Alternatively, declarer might over-take a spade and try the club finesse, but when that fails there are only eight tricks.

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As so often happens, the key play tomes at the very first trick. Since it is most unlikely that West has led a singleton diamond against three no trump. South should win the opening lead with the king of diamonds, then clear the blocking spades from hand. After cashing the nec of diamonds and continuing the suit, declarer still makes the same three diamond tricks and finces an entry to the spades in diamonds. Now nine tricks are assured.

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Indurain plays waiting game pack until the last four kilometres (1.2 miles), when

GUZET-NEIGE, France (AP) - Monday was no day of rest for challengers in the Tour de France. It was a time to look for ways to catch Tonr de France leader Miguel Indurain. kilometres, with four climbs They in haven't so far.

As the tour enters its final week, Indurain has his fifth consecutive title virtually locked up. Only sickness or an accident can kep Indurain from entering the history books as the first rider to wio five in a row.

Belgian Eddy Merckx and Frenchman Jacques Anquetil and Bernard Hinault are the other five-time winners, but none ever put together a string to match the Spaniard,

the mountains on Tuesday, then features an individual time trial on Saturday The race ends in Paris on July 23 after completing a clockwise loop of approximately 3,635 kilometres (2,254 miles).

The challengers may take their chances and try to make breakaways, but ali Indurain has to do is accelerate in the final miles to limit the margin and wait for the next

Indurain turned 31 on Sunday and celebrated this birthday the same way be bas done in the last few years wearing the leader's yellow

He came in third in Sunday's 14th stage on the 164kilometre leg from St. Orens de Gameville to Guzet-Neige to maintain his lead. Italy's Marco Pantani took the stage as the race came to

33 boxers test HIVpositive in S. Africa

JOHANNESBURG (R) -Thirty-three South African professional boxers have been refused licences after testing positive for the human immuno-deficiency virus (HIV) which causes AIDS: a doctor said on Monday.

Sam Pitsoe, a doctor employed by the South African Boxing Control Commission, said the AIDS test was included in the standard medical examination in 1994 after a champion fighter tested positive in Las Vegas.

"We decided to include the HIV test in the examination for the safety of the boxers," Pitsoe told Reuters.

He said 1994 figures showed the boxers, ranging in age from 22 to 37, included up to 10 wbo had fought in international competitions. Figures for this year are not

'Natal seems to have the highest number and the western Cape the lowest," he

Pitsoe said he suspected Kwazulu-Natal had the highest number of HIV-positive boxers because of the many prostitutes in the area.

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the edge of the Pyrenees. The 25-year-old Pantani, third in last year's tour, won the difficult L'Ai-e D'Huez mountain stage last week. He attacked over the last 40

of varying degrees left in the

seconds and now trails by **Tour de France**

He built an advantage of almost three minutes over the pack entering the final climb, which as a category one section ranks among the toughest under the tour definition of steepness, length and diffi-

With rain and fog over the The race begins two days in - last bour of the race, Pantani won by 2 minutes, 31 seconds over Laurent Madouas of

Pantani moved to seventh overall, but is still a daunting 10:07 behind Indurain. Indurain was in the main

"I wasn't afraid of the attack of Pantani because he was still down int he standings," Indurain said. "But I was afraid of falls because of the rain and fog."

he accelerated and almost

caught Madouas at the finish.

Alex Zulle of Switzerland,

runnersup in the overall

standings, sprinted with In-

durain but lost a couple

Laurent Jalabert of Grane remained third overall, but lost almost a minute to fourth-place Bjarne Riis of Denmark.

"As to the others, I controlling them," Indurain said. "It's a cat-and-mouse game and Jalabert is starting to pay for his efforts:"

OVERALL STANDINGS (After 14 stages)

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 Hernan Buenahora, Colombia, Keime, 15:23.

11. Claudio Chiappucci, Italy, Carrera, 15:52. 12. Laurent Madouas, France, Castorama, 172:22.

Richard Virenque, France, Festina, 17:28.
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Lions roar again

JOHANNESBURG (AFP) - Former champions Cameroon bounced back into contention for a place at the 1996 African Nations' Cup finals with an unexpected 3-1 away victory over Malawi in Group 1 at the weekend.

The result ensured Zaire qualified from the four-team section, and the Indomitable Lions will join them in South Africa next January provided they avoid defeat when Zimbabwe visit the Adantic port of Douala on July 30.

rewarded after 55 minutes when Chance Gondwe chipped a free kick to John Maduka, wbose shot gave William Andem no chance.

But Cameroon were unruffled by the setback and scored the decisive third goal

The Lions, who had lost in Lesotho, Zimbabwe and Zaire, often baffled the nervous Malawians with the sim-

AFRICAN SOCCER

Although spurred on by a capacity 60,00 crowd, including President Bakili Muluzi. in Blantyre, Malawi conceded a goal after only five minutes against a country which lifted the title in 1984 and 1988.

Sunday Jang floated a free-kick into the Malawian goalmouth, where Joseph Mbarga shrugged off a defender and scored as goalkeeper Ganizani Masiye dived the wrong way.

Mbarga, an experienced forward who belped Came-roon reach the 1994 World Cuo finals, turned creator for the second goal three minutes before half-rime.

He pushed a free kick to French-based Georges Mouyeme, who claimed his third goal of the qualifying competition with a fierce 35metre drive past a stunned

Masiye. A livelier Malawian side opened the second half with a series of attacks and were plicity of their tactics, concentrating on long balls to an attack full of pace and inven-

Mozambique took a giant step towards qualifying from Group 6 when they overcame pacesetters Angola 2-1 in a clash of Portuguese-speaking nations in Maputo.

Defender Sergio 'Faife' Matola put the Mozambicans abead in the 15th minutes and Emmanuel 'Nana' Matola made it 2-0 within 60 seconds of the restart at a packed Machava Stadium.

Antonio 'Paulao' Alves from Lisbon club Benfica pulled one back after 75 minutes for Angola, who suffered their first reverse since losing 3-1 in Guinea last Mozambique have 13

points, one more than Angola, and both are guaranteed places at the showpiece of African soccer if they win their final fixtures.

Fangio, the humble champion,

dies

BUENOS AIRES (R) Juan Manuel Fangio, widely regarded as the greatest racing driver of them all, was a modest man who put his record five World Championships down to luck.

The Argentine dominated Grand Prix racing in the 1950s by winning 24 of the 51 races he contested.

Once asked for the secret of bis success, be replied: "Seventy-five per cent of it is car and the team around it. Only 25 per cent is the driver...and much of that is to do with luck. I am surprised that so many people remember what I did — All my life 1 have been very

'Aggressive in the cockpit, he was a gentle, friendly and likeable person off the track.

"Motor racing is something you must do with passion. he said when he quit in 1958. "You must love it as a painter loves to paint and it requires great dedication.'

Fangio's 24 Grand Prix victories put him seventh in the all-time rankings, behind Alain Prost (France) 51, Ayrton Senna (Brazil) 41, Nigel Mansell (Britain) 31. Jackie Stewart (Britain) 27, Jim Clark (Britain) and Niki Lauda (Austria), both 25.

Born in Balcarce in the province of Buenos Aires on June 24, 1911, Fangio was the son of a stonemason from a large family of Italian immigrants.

Starting work as an apprentice mechanic at the age of 13, he soon learned how to prepare and race cars with his brother Toto.

Fangio was also a good footballer, his teammates dubbing hime "El Chueco" (bandy-legs), a nickname which stuck with him the world over. He was unmar-

His racing debut came in a modified taxi on October 24, 1936, in a local race. During World, War II he achieved national: fame in races over enormous distances on dirt roads normally used only by bullock carts.

1940 for his first win, the long-distance Grand Premio De Norte, an endurance event lasting several days from Buenos Aires Over the Andes to Lima, Peru.

"That taught me about control, gave me the sensitivity to understand a car," he said. "Driving fast on mud roads, you have to feel the wbeels through your backside.

Fangio was 38 wben he started bis professional racing career in Europe in 1948. Alfa Romeo subsequently contracted him for the inaugural world drivers' championship in 1950.

He won his first Grand Prix great pit stops." in his second race and drove to victory in two others that year. The following season he again won three, enough to take the first of his five titles. He also took the crown in

> the 98-lap event. Toronto winner, couldn't

series champion and 1986

leader recovered and stayed

quite run down Andretti's .Iola-Ford. The final margin was just 0.425-seconds, about three car-lengths.

"With about 15 laps to go, tbe water temperature was going off the clock," said Rahal, who also finished second here last year. "My crew said to be careful and back off. When I'd get close to him, the alarm went off. I'm just lucky to finish

second. Andretti's only real dangerous moment came on lap 76 when he was trailing the lapped cars of fellow Americans Danny Sullivan and Eddie Cheever and was

just in front of Rahal. Sullivan managed to squeeze by Cheever on the inside and Andretti's followed, but Cheever moved over and the two bumped, bouncing Andrett's rear off the concrete barrier. Rahal tried to drive around the slowing Andretti, but the

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Colombia, Uruguay scrape to semis

MONTEVIDEO (Agencies) — Host Uruguay and resurgent Colombia kept their dreams of Copa America success alive Sunday by clinching a place in the semifinals.

But both teams had to sweat to get there. Colombia scored a second-half goal to draw even 1-1 and then outlasted Paraguay on penalties 5-4, securing the victory when goalkeeper Rene Higuita dived and punched

away Paraguay's last attempt by Carlos Gamarra.
It was a ressurection for Higuita, who was dubbed the villain after allowing a goal on a lob from 30 yards against Peru and letting in a bizarre goal direct from a corner against Brazil on Thursday.
"It wasn't revenge." Higuita said. "I've always felt

confident in what I do and I've never been short on faith." "When it comes to penalties the pressure is on the player taking it. The goalkeeper is the winner if he saves it but if not, that's not a problem. Today it was my turn to win," he

Colombia's coach Hernan Dario Gomez said his team deserved to win in the 90 and that his team bad definitively bounced back after a 3-0 loss Thursday to Brazil. *This team has better tactics than the one which played in the World Cup finals," he said. "Every match we're

getting better and better."

In the day's second game, Uruguay left its 40,000 fans in the stadium on edge when it nearly squandered a 2-0 lead over Bolivia. With 18 minutes left, Bolivia drew within a goal and had clear chances to equalise and send the match

to a shootout. Uruguay held on frantically to win 2-1. The host nation, who have not pleased local critics with their performances, played excellently for the first 30 minutes, in which they scored twice.

They then reverted to the sterile, disjointed soccer which has angered their own fans throughout the competition,

has angered their own tans throughout the competition, allowing Bolivia to pull a goal back and forcing their supporters to endure a tense finale.

Uruguay, once a power in international soccer, did not qualify for the last World Cup and are keen to win the Copa to revive their fortunes. They were edged out of the second qualifying place in their group by the Bolivians. Uruguay made a dream start when striker Marcelo Otero scored in the second minute, receiving a nicely-flicked pass

from Enzo Francescoli and hitting the ball first time into

the far corner of the goal. Bolivia hardly had a look in for the next half hour as Uruguay, inspired in midfield by the veteran Francescoli, caused their defence endless suffering.

Midfielder Gustavo Poyet, who plays for Spanish club Real Zaragoza, missed two clearcut chances before Daniel Fonseca, of Italian club Roma, scored the second after half

Francescoli chipped a free kick over the Bolivian wall and Fonseca attempted to hook the ball into the goal. He did not make full contact but did enough to divert the ball beyond Bolivia goalkeeper Carlos Trucco.

Copa America

Fonseca injured himself as he stretched for the ball and had to be substituted by Ruben Sosa.

Sosa, a world class striker, seems to have been suffering the effects of an unhappy season with his Italian club Internazionale and has not played well in the Copa

Uruguay, who have hosted the competition six times before and won on every occasion, lost their rhythm after Fonseca went off.

The only time Sosa had a chance to score, early in the second half, his shot posed more of a threat to passing aircraft than to Bolivia's goal.

Bolivia, who exchanged their white shirts for green ones at halftime, came back with a new lease of life for the second 45 minutes.
Full-back Luis Cristaldo had already shaved the Uru-

guayan post with a low 20-metre shot before midfielder Oscar Sanchez pulled a goal back with 19 minutes left. Marco Etcheverry floated a free kick across the area and Sanchez, who found himself unmarked, headed home from six metres.

That ensured a worrying end for the fans in the Centenario stadium, which for the first time in the tournament was nearly full, but Uruguay held on for a semi-final tie with Colombia on Wednesday.

Los Angeles still seen as Olympic model

LOS ANGELES (AP) - After a sea of red ink in Montreal and a boycott that made the games in Moscow virtually an east bloc affair, Los Angeles got the Olympics nobody else wanted — and turned them into a rousing

success The 1984 summer games revitalised the Olympic movement, established a fresh approach to the glohe's biggest sports festival and, for two festive weeks that August, gave this city some

of its finest moments. With Tebran the only other city to lodge a bid, then backing out because of civil turmoil, Los Angeles staged the games practically without a bitch, even though the

Soviets led their own boycott.

The Los Angeles Olympic

organising committee, headed by marketing experi Peter Ueberroth, changed the financial foundation of the Games, for 1984 and beyond, by selling corporate sponsorships. In addition to the \$225

million paid by ABC for the American television rights, another \$140 million came from corporate sponsors. Ticket sales exceeded expectations, nearly selling out, and topped \$100 million.

The first free-enterprise .Olympics, with no government funding, also turned out to be the first profitable Olympics, finishing with \$225

million ahead. "The uniqueness of the '84 Games bad to do with the fact that we worked cooper-

atively with government,"

said Anita Defrantz, who was in charge of the Olympic athletes' housing at the University of Southern California II years ago and now is a member of the International Olympic Committee executive board, "We paid for extra services from government, such as security, but ours was a contractual relationship with government."

The profit also was possible because of the existing sports facilities in the sprawliong Los Angeles area.

The coliseum, which was built in 1923 for \$600,000 and served as the centerpiece of LA's other Olympics - in 1932, was used for athletics and opening and closing cere-monies in 1984. Soccer was

held at the Rose Bowl, bas-

ketball at the Forum, gym-

nastics at Pauley pavilion, volleyball at the Long Beach arena and wrestling at the Anaheim Convention Centre. Athletes were housed mostly at the University of California-Los Angeles (UCLA) and the University of Soutbern California

A few new facilities were built. such as a swim stadium at USC and a velodrome in Dominguez Hills, but the cost was minimal because of corporate sponsorship.

The profit after the games was divided among the U.S. Olympic committee and various national sports federations, which received 60 per cent, and the (U.S.) Amateur Athletic Foundation In Los Angeles, which received the other 40 per cent.

Andretti ends frustration with victory

TORONTO (AP) - Michael Andretti ended his seasonlong frustration by outdueling Bobby Rahal and winning Sunday's Toronto Molson Indy, his first victory since

last year's Toronto race. It was the fifth victory on the 2.86-kilometre, II-turn temporary street circuit for Andretti, as well as the 30th career victory for the 33-yearold driver, the leading active winner on the indy-car cir-

"I love this place," Andretti said. "My crew did a great job today on pit strategy. That's what won us the race, and we had two

Andretti, son of longtime racing star Mario Andretti, saw bis lead over compatriot Rahal bounce between 21/2 seconds and one-tenth of a second over the last 30 laps of

But Rahal, a three-time

. Jacques Villeneuve, a Canadian and the crowd favorite, started from the pole for the third straight race and wound up third, retaining his lead in what now appears to be a four-way battle for the PPG Cup cham-With six races remaining,

out front.

Villeneuve leads secondplace Rahal 118-94, followed by fifth-place finisher Robby Gordon of the United States with 9I and Andretti 90.

Villeneuve led the first 23 laps before giving up the top spot to Andretti when be made his first pit stop. Andretti, the 1991 series

champion, led the rest of the

way except for one lap during the final round of pit stops. when he gave it briefly back to the 24-year-old Canadian. Italy's Teo Fabi was just behind Villeneuve in fourth, followed by Gordon, Brazilian Raul Boesel, Mexico's Andrian Fernandez and Canadian Paul Tracy.

The first 17 laps of the race were relatively uneventful except for a first-lap collision between Sweden's Stefan Johansson and American Bryan Herta that knocked

Herta out of the race. But it then got very busy as Al Unser Jr., the defending series champion and a former Toronto winner, tried to pass Rahal on the inside.

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that he survived as that he won so often. midway through the second "Do you know," he said in period when Mouyeme rose 1990, "that in my 10 years of to head home a right-wing driving in Europe, I saw 30 of

rari and Masedrai.

four successive years from

1954 to 1957, the first two

with Mercedes and then Fer-

Those were dangerous

days for drivers and it was as

much Fangio's achievement

my friends and rivals killed?"

His most serious accident

was in 1952 when he crashed

his Maserati in the Monza

Grand Prix, breaking his

Many thought he was finished. But he was back the following season and then regained the world title for Maserati in 1954, retaining it for the next three years driv-

ing for Mercedes Benz, Ferrari and Maserati again. His greatest victory came in 1957 German Grand Prix at the daunting Nuerburgring circuit.

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Bosnian government de-fenders and Bosnian Serb forces traded mortars Monday west of the Zepa enclave but U.N. officials said fighting was limited.

In the northwest of the country another enclave. Bibac, was hit by two ground to ground missiles. There were reports of damage and casualties though this was not confirmed by the U.N. peacekeepers on the ground. Brirish Foreign Secretary Malcolm Rifkind meanwhile osals to send fresh Western

warned in Brussels that proptroops into Gorazde, one of two remaining U.N:-declared safe areas in eastern Bosnia. could flounder if the U.S. did not provide attack and transport helicopters. However, White House

national adviser Anthony Lake said U.N. forces should take "more vigorous action" in the face of Serb attacks on safe areas. U.S. government officials were to meet Mon-day with joint chiefs of staff chairman, General John Shalikasbvili, to review bis talks Sunday in London with, French and British counterparts on Bosnia.

According to a White House spokesman however, these discussions failed to answer all the U.S. concerns about plans for Gorazde. Michael McCurry said Sun-day's talks were a "substantive discussion over a variety of proposals.

The U.S. magazine Newsweek said Gen. Sbalikashvili proposed flying 1.000 French troops to Gorazde in what would be the largest belicopter mission since the Vietnam

France wants part of the 12,000-strong rapid reaction force (RRF) deployed to prevent Gorazde falling into the hands of the Bosnian Serbs, who conquered Srebrenica

Cooperation in the Palestine

National Authority (PNA)

Nabil Sbaath met in Amman Mooday with Minister of

Foreign Affairs Abdul Karim

Kabariti and said later that

the two discussed the ques-

tion of Palestinian detainees

in Israeli jails and issues con-nected with the expansion of

th self-rule areas of Pales-

"We discussed in detail the

question of the detainees be-

cause we know that Jordan

has exerted strenuous efforts

to secure the release of the

detainees and will continue to

pursue efforts in this direc-

We also discussed

Jordanian-Palestinian rela-

tions which is currently wit-

nessing a very positive de-

velopment at all levels, said

Asked about his views ab-

SRINAGAR, India (AFP).

— Muslim guerrillas holding

five Western hostages in

Kashmir on Monday threatened to kill them "any

time" if 21 of their jailed us were not freed by

ite: n authorities im-

The Al Faran group, which has claimed responsibility for the abductions, said in a

hand-written statement deli-

vered to news agencies here that it would not extend the

deadline for their execution

sion of the deadline." the

Urdu-language statement

said. "The hostages may be

The Indian government

dismissed the latest threat as

"pressure tactics," while police sources said in this

troubled summer capital of

Kashmir that they were still

in indirect contact with the

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ı July 4, and a German

killed at any time."

abductors.

"There will be no exten-

beyond Monday evening.

tion," said Dr. Sbaath.

last week and are now threatening Zepa.

This call for direct action initiated by President Jacques Chirac won support from some Euro-MPs and the

Russia's Foreign Minister Andrew Kozyrev was a ione voice calling for diplomacy to be given another chance. "Those who think all the political options have been explored are wrong," he said criticising the "acceleration of military action."

In Zepa, a Bosnian Serb
Army (BSA) company commander told Ukrainian
peacekeepers manning a post
just outside the enclave that they would be attacked if NATO planes appeared over the enclave, U.N. spokesman Alexander Ivanko said.

On Sunday, NATO air-planes roared over the threatened enclave in a show of force but took no action.

NATO "air presence," as the U.N. terms it, was requested following BSA mortar and tank attacks on Zepa town where U.N. peacekeepers are based. Bosnian army defenders of

the threatened enclave claimed Monday to have repulsed Sunday's Serb attacks against the safe area. This was supported in part by U.N. assessments.

Yes, there is resistance," said U.N. spokesman Lieutenant Colonel Gary Coward. Zepa's defenders were

armed with mortars but there was little the U.N. peacekeepers themselves could do to belp. "We bave NATO air power at our disposal but it is of limited utility," Gen. Coward said.

"They are holding the line. They hve not fumbled. They do have mortars, we can only watch and see how the battle develops," the U.N. spokes-

U.N. observers put the BSA soldiers some 1.5 kilometres from the town itself. According to Bosnian radio Zepa's population of roughly 12,000 have been mobilised for the defence of the area.

Kabariti, Shaath discuss fate of

AMMAN (J.T.) — Minister out the date for the expan-of Planning and International sion of self-rule be said: "It is point under discussion at the

important for the Palestinians

that Israel respect the new

date for this process but what

is more important is to reach

an agreement that would

satisfy the Palestinian peo-

"We are concerned not to

go under Israeli pressure to

accept anything less than what was originally agreed on

and, therefore, we are not only concerned about the

date but also about the imple-

mentation of the agree-ment," added Dr. Shaath.

negotiations with the Israelis

day and night but I cannot at this point in time guarantee

that by July 25 a full agree-

ment will be reached, though

we are continuing our full

Howevever, he said nego-

tiations over the question of

Palestinian elections were

Western hostages in Kashmir

area four days later after one

of the Americans escaped.
The militants had first

threatened to execute the

foreigners by Saturday even-

ing, but extended the dead-line by 48 honrs.

The Western hostages, in

an audio cassette also re-

leased Monday by the Al Faran, pressed their respec-

tive countries to exert press-

ure on India and to seek their

American Donald Fred

Hutchings said in his mes-

sage, partly directed at his

wife Jane: "I am okay though

we have been walking day

and night on mountains. I am

tired. The mujahideen have

"Jane I want you to know that I am okay but I do not

know when I will die," he

said. "Maybe today or

tomorrow. Maybe this is my

last communication. I appeal

to India and America for

said it had contacted the

Kashmir authorities "three

days back, but the govern-

The Al Faran statement

been okay to me.

efforts to achieve that goal."

said Dr. Shaath.

Militants threaten to kill

We are continuing the

Palestinians in Israeli jails

The 79 Ukrainian peacekeepers in Zepa have for the most part withdrawn into their main base in the town though a U.N. presence was still at three U.N. posts elsewhere in the enclave.

Meanwhile in Tuzla, where 30,000 people expelled by Bosnian Serbs after they overran the fallen Srebrenica enclave have settled, reports began to emerge of several thousand men having escaped the Bosnian Serb assault on the U.N. safe area.

The city's mayor, Selim Beslagic, was quoted by Bosnian independent radio as saying that 6,000 people bad slipped away from last week's Serb assault including 3,500 soldiers who had begun to arrive in Tauzla.

Islamic group to meet

Meanwhile the ninemember contact group of the Organisation of Islamic Conference will hold an emergen-cy meeting July 2I in Rabat, Morocco, on the worsening situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina, officials said Monday.

The contact group is to chalk out concrete plans to save the U.N. safe havens for Bosnia's beleaguered Muslims, according to the officials at the 52-member, Jeddah-based organisation umbrella for the world's Islamic nations.

The group comprises Saudi Arabia, Morocco, Pakistan, Malaysia, Turkey, Iran, Egypt, Senegal and the OlC secretary-general Hamid Al

It will meet at ministerial level for one day under the chairmanship of Moroccan Prime Minister Abdellatif

Iran, Egypt and Morocco bave been lobbying for an emergency session of the contact group, which last met in Rabat in May.

Diplomatic sources said the OIC bas been under tremendous pressure from several Muslim states to find ways to belp Bosnia government from being routed by

moment concerns the num

ber of representatives in the

100 council members as we

bave suggested at the start of

the negotiations," said Dr. Shaath, adding that there re-

mains the question of the representation of the resi-

dents of Arab Jerusalem (see

"These are small issues,

but the real question lies with

Israel's withdrawal from the

Arab towns and villages and

the return of the land to its

Palestinian owners," Dr.

The Jordan News Agency, Petra, said that Mr. Kabariti

and Dr. Shaath reviewed the

situation in the Palestinian

lands adding that Mr. Kabar-

iti voiced Jordan's full back-

ing for the Palestinian en-deavours.

ment is not ready to talk.
"The government is not

showing interest in securing

the release of the hostages.

munity, particularly those who have appealed to us (to

release the foreigners).

should pressurise India to

stop human rights violations

in Kashmir and accept our demands immediately," it

Besides Mr. Hutchings, the

other four hostages are Bri-

tons Paul Wells and Keith

Mangan, German Dirk Hasert and Norwegian Hans

Indian authorities, who

bave maintained a studied

silence on the demand by Al

Faran, decounced the latest

threat and urged the militants

"It is unfortunate they are

making these threats when

the Organisation of Islamic

Conference, Amnesty Inter-

national and all (other) mili-

tants in Kashmir have conde-

mned the kidnappings," a

government spokesman said

to free the hostages on huma-

Christian Ostro.

nitarian grounds.

in New Delhi.

'The international com-

story on page 1).

Shaatb added.

"We are striving to have

Palestine people's council.



ROYAL VISIT: His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan on Monday paid field visits to several army units and formations. Prince Hassan's visit included several of the air defence units and the artillery corps of the Fifth Royal Armoured Division. The Crown Prince was briefed by the commanders of the formations and units on the progress of training programmes and was familiarised with duties assigned to them. The Prince also watched military exercises and took part in some training activities. Earlier in the day, Prince Hassan visited Al Hussein Air College and met with young students participating in Al Hussein Air Camps. Prince Hassan stressed the importance of the youth in building the future of the country and briefed them on the role of the Armed Forces in enhancing the feelings of belonging and safeguarding the Kingdom's democracy. The Crown Prince also talked about Jordanian-Palestinian relations and affirmed Jordan's keenness to continue its support for the Palestinian people. The Prince concluded his tour by visiting the Fifth Royal Armoured Division Command and meeting its senior officers.

Palestinian press law bars reports on police activities

JERUSALEM (AP) - The Palestine Liberation Organis-tion (PLO) on Monday unveiled a press law that includes limits on reporting about Palestinian police operations and threatens violators with fines and jait terms.

The I8-page law, a copy of which was obtained by the Associated Press, is to take effect in the Gaza Strip and West Bank on July 25, the day PLO and Israeli negotiators are scheduled to wrap up negotiations on extending self-rule to the West Bank.

The law, whose details were not previously revealed, was signed by Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat on June 25 after being approved by his 18-member self-rule eabinet in Gaza a week

Hatem Abdul Qader, head of the publication depart-ment of the Palestinian information ministry, said the law was lenient "compared to laws in Syria, Egypt and Jor-

He noted the Palestinians were not demanding stories be submitted to censors before publication — as does Israel in some cases.

"We are not restricting press operations. We are regulating it. Absolute freedom is anarchy," Mr. Abdul Qad-

Hanan Ashrawi, a former Arafat spokeswoman who founded a commission to monitor Palestinian human rights and law enforcement, said her organisation was studying the document and had no immedite comment.

Article 2 of the law promises Palestinians the right to "express opinions freely in speech, writing and pictures through the media.

But Article 37 bans publication of "secret information" on police or other PLO troops - including the types of weapons they use, their ammunition, bases, training camps and deployments.

The penalty for violating the ban is suspension of a publication for up to three months in addition to fines and a jail term of up to six

Mr. Arafat ordered the closure of an Islamic fundamentalist weekly for 30 days and another for 40 days earlier this year. He banned circulation of the Jerusalembased An Nahar last year for 40 days, forcing the closure of the paper for that period.

IAF says it was winner in last week's municipal elections three won; in Kerak, the tion in the municipal elec-

By Sa'eda Kilani Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN - The Islamic Action Front Party Monday de-scribed the win of 25 out of 68 of its candidates in last week's municipal elections as a victory and that the final results in Zarqa were not representative of the movement's popularity.
"We are surprised to bear

from the minister of municipal affairs, Nader Thuheirat, that the percentage of Islamists success in the elections was only three per cent." said IAF General Secretary Ishaq Farhan at a press conference held at the party's beadquarters. "The percentage of those who won should be in relation to the number of candidates the party fielded in the elections and not on the total number of members and mayors of the 259 coun-

Dr. Farhan said that in the capital, the party named seven candidates but only party's six candidates all won: n Madaba, seven out of ten candidates won; in Irbid. only four out of ten won; in Agaba, two out of six candidates won; in Mafraq, one out of nine candidates won. In Tafileh all six candidates lost; and in Jerash two out of six candidates won.

As for Zarqa and Ruseifeh, where the IAF was harshly defeated and in Ruseifeh where two IAF candidates won, Dr. Farhan said the party withdrew its candidates from both cities in protest of what he said was the "government's flagrant interference" in the elec-

Dr. Farhan said that io the case of the two candidates who won in Ruseifeh and wbo decided to hold office despite the IAF's withdrawal decision will be studied and ha severe action will be taken against them" by the party's leadership. The front said its participations was a partial, and that the number of candidates who won were one third of the total number of candidates the front named. 'Our participation in the

elections was only meant as a test for the government's credibility," said Abdollab Akaileh, a Lower House of Parliament deputy. "Our expectations turned out to be

Dr. Farhan claimed that the government facilitated procedures for progovernment candidates and put obstacles in front of other candidates, especially the

"What the government did, and especially in Zarqa, has very serious implications on the country," be said.
"These actions could make the government lose its credibility at the national and international levels when talking about enhancing democracy in Jordan,

U.S. congressman Richardson pays tribute to Iraqi president for release of two Americans

By Amy Henderson Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN -- U.S. Congressman Bill Richardson, who arrived in Amman Monday, said he appreciated Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's humanitarian gesture in the release of two American pris-oners held in Iraq since mid-March.

Mr. Richardson, a New Mexico Democrat, arrived with the two American men, William Barloon, 39, of New Hampton, Iowa and David Daliberti, 41, of Jacksonville, Florida who were pardoned and ordered immediately released Sunday by President Hussein.

"I thank the government of Iraq for the humanitarian release (of these mcn)," said Mr. Richardson, calling Mr. Barloon and Mr. Daliberti "victims in an international chess game." He also gave credit to Iraq ambassador to the United States Nizar Hamdown with whom he said he had eight secret meeting in the past 60 days at the United Nations in New York.

Mr. Richardson said that he met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for onehour Sunday with a request that the Americans be released on humanitarian grounds. "(Saddam Hussein) responded to the humanita-rian appeal," Mr. Richardson

said of the meeting, which was also attended by Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz. 'Hussein was tough and is a very strong individual, and he let us know his views on a number of issues." he said without elaborating further.

The congressman did not comment on the possibility of lifting the five-year sanctions that have devastated the Iraqi economy, but said that he supported U.S. foreign policy and continuing sanctions."
"My hope is that Iraq complies (with U.N. resolutions) especially in the biological arena," he said.

Trade sanctions on Iraq were extended last month for another 60-day period on grounds that Iraq had not accounted for missing biological weapons materials. President Bill Clinton

spake by telephone with the two Americans and told them he was "ecstatic" at their release, the White House Presidential Press Secretary Mike McCurry said Mr.

Clinton had reached the two at the U.S. ambassador's residence in Amman, "congratulated both of them on enduring this ordeal."

U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher Sunday called the prisoners release "an important first step" that

would not necessariy lead to the lifting of the sanctions. Iraq's compliance with U.N. Security Council resolutions is up for review in two months.

The two Americans who work for U.S. defence contractors were arrested inside Iraq on March 13 after crossing illegally into Iraq from Kuwait. After their arrest, they said that they had been on a trip to visit friends among U.N. military observers in the border's demilitarised zone. Iraq at the time said that the two may have been involved in espionage.

During a press conference at the American embassy in Amman both men appeared happy had healthy, and reasserted that they were innocent victims.

"A mistake was made and we spent four months in jail."
Mr. Barloon said. "We thank the government for our efforts and we are so happy."

Both men said they were "treated more than fairly" over the course of the four months. Earlier during three imprisonment, there was concern that the health of the two, who suffer from heart problems, was being neglected. But Mr. Daliberti said, "We had medical facilities and an ambulance on stand-by. They were very concerned with our wellbeing." (See story page 2).

Italian killed in Algeria; journalist jailed enced last Wednesday in Tamanrasset for having disdramatic case. The previous killings of foreigners took place on June

ALGIERS (AFP) - An Italian national was killed Monday in the working class neighbourhood of Kouba in Algiers, diplomatic sources

The Italian, who was believed to be elderly, was fatally shot, the sources said.

The killing brings to 85 the number of foreigners assassinated in incidents blamed on Islamic militants since Algeria's political crisis began in January 1992. Ten Italians have been kil-

led in Algeria. On July 7, 1994, seven sailors had their throats slit in the eastern port 7, when two French nationals, Louis and Gaby Jourdan, were shot. The latest assassination

comes at a time when the Algerian press had noted a fresh outbreak of violence, including murders and sabotage, during recent days.

In the meantime, military court sentenced a journalist from the Algerian press agency. APS, to three years in prison for having divulged confidential information, the daily El Watan reported

Hadj Benaamane was sent-

closed where the number two
of the banned Islamic Salvation Front (FIS), Ali
Belhadi, was being detained. The information was classified as a "defence secret," El Watan said.

Two others in the same case were sentenced, with one given a four-year prison term and the other a two-year term, the newspaper said.

The report said the case was surrounded by total secrecy, and that journalists launched an appeal for solidarity with their colleague to draw attention to "the ing police officers' families a town outside the capi wounding 14 people, a ne paper reported Monday.

A human rights observer, Kamel Rezag-Bara, expressed "surprise at the severity of the verdict."

The newspaper said Mr. Benaamane's new lawyer did not iotend to appeal.

The former lawyer, Halima Benmaghnia, quit following pressure brought against her by "certain parties concerned in the affair," the newspaper

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Queen Elizabeth on diet - paper

LONDON (R) — Britain's Queen Elizabeth, who has been praised for keeping her figure over the years, has been put on a low-fat diet, the Daily Mail reported Monday. Doctors told her to switch to the low-cholesterol diet, cutting out dairy products and eggs, after she complained of tiredness, the newspaper said. It said the queen, 69, who does not smoke and reportedly eats and drinks in moderatioo. bad put on a little weight. "She is certainly missing some of her favourite foods." the oewspaper quoted an un-identified source at Buckingbam Palace as saying.

Tears as Imran's wife leaves for new life

LONDON (R) — British heiress Jemima Goldsmith was in tears with ber family as she left for a new life with her bridegroom, Pakistani cricket idol Imran Khan. "Don't worty - I'll look after her, Khan promised Goldsmith's mother, Lady Annabel Goldsmith, as she embraced ber daughter at London's Heathrow Airport. The newlyweds, who went through separate religious and secular ceremonies in Paris and Britain last month, were passing through Saudi Arabia to visit relatives before heading for Khan's home in Pakistan.

Woman thief undone as she reveals all

TOKYO (R) — A woman who bad her blouse ripped off when she tried to rob a taxi driver was arrested after witnesses saw her fleeing half-naked, Japanese police said, Hiromi Mikami, 25, tried to snatch a bag containing around 50,000 yen (\$600) in taxi fares from Takayuki Chiba, 55, in the city of Sapporo oo Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost main island. Her blouse was ripped off in the tussle that followed, and police, arrested her after witnesses reported seeing a naked woman running through the streets.

Vatican summons bishop over celibacy

priest, there is no eucharist.

Where there is no eucharist, there is no church." Bishop

Comiskey was quoted as

saying. "Options are running out for diocesan priests. This

is not a theological issue.

Everything that is alive changes, and these changes

aren't all that radical," he

was quoted as saying. "You already have married Angli-

can priests, converts to Catho-

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parishes, so we can't hold the line on that." Press Association, the British news agency, said Sunday that Bishop Comiskey has been ordered to attend a macrine in Pome

to attend a meeting in Rome

to clarify his position on the celibacy issue. After Card.

Daly's criticism. Bishop Comiskey wrote in the Irish

Times. 'our priests are great-

ly distressed, and in some instances demoralised, by a series of sexual scandals in-

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Police jobs

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BELFAST (AFP) - Rioting

in several towns in Northern

Ireland this month bave prompted the Royal Ulster

Constabulary (RUC) to

maintain its current staff levels, the RUC said. Cuts to

the force had been envisaged

as one of the dividends of the

peace process which began

last year with ceasefires by

the Irish Republican Army

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